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REV. W. T. KAHSE, Pastor.

Also the MINUTES of the Twenty-Seventh
ANNUAL CONVENTION of the

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Synodical Calendar, 1907-1908.

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Wednesday Night.
Synodical Sermon. Rev. J. A. LOWE, *President.*

Thursday Night.

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Rev. H. A. WOLFE. Rev. RALPH W. LIVERS.

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Saturday Night.

EDUCATION.

Rev. J. W. BALL, Ph. D. Rev. W. F. POOT, LL. D.

Saturday Afternoon (3 o'clock).

PREPARATORY SERVICE.

Rev. B. F. KISTLER. Rev. W. C. HEIDENREICH.

Sunday Morning.

COMMUNION.

Rev. M. L. KUNKELMAN, M. D. Rev. G. W. LIVERS.

Sunday Evening.

ORDINATION.

Rev. J. E. HUMMON. Rev. L. P. LUDDEN, D. D.

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

Place—Hardy, Neb.
Time—September 9th, 1908.

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Evangelical Lutheran Synod of NEBRASKA,

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Pursuant to adjournment, the Thirty-fifth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska met in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Grand Island, Neb., September 11th to 15th, 1907, Rev. W. T. Kahse, pastor.

EVENING SERVICE.

WEDNESDAY, 8 O'CLOCK.

The Synodical sermon was preached by Rev. J. A. Lowe. Text: Acts ii. 42-46.

After the sermon, an address was delivered by Miss Ellen B. Schuff, returned missionary from Guntur, India.

FIRST SESSION.

THURSDAY, 8.30 A. M.

Half-hour devotional service was conducted by Rev. Gustav Klatt.

Synod was declared formally opened at 9 o'clock by the President.

The roll was called, and the credentials of the lay delegates were received.

Synodical Roll.

	Clerical.	Entered Ministry.	Address.	Lay Delegates.
1	W. F. Eyster, D. D., *a. e.*...	1841	Crete.	
2	J. Zimmerman	1856	Lincoln.	
3	S. L. Aughey, D. D., *a. e.*.	1858	Spokane, Wash.	
4	J. F. Kuhlman, *a. e.*.....	1858	Goodland, Kan.	
5	J. G. Groenmiller, *a. e.*....	1858	Accident, Md.	
6	B. Sickel.....	1862	Marysville, Kan.	
7	L. Groh, D. D.....	1863	Omaha.....	John Harberg, *a. e.*
8	M. L. Kunkelman, M. D...	1866	South Auburn.	
9	J. L. Hammond.....	1870	Waverly.	
10	L. L. Lipe	1871	West Point	A. L. Krause.
11	D. Z. Foulk, *a. e.*.....	1873	York Springs, Pa.	
12	I. N. Augustine.....	1874	Grand Island.	
13	J. A. Koser.	1874	Nebraska City.	
14	J. A. Lowe.....	1876	Beatrice.....	F. H. Kimmerling, *a. e*
15	G. W. Fraser, *a. e.*.....	1877	Omaha.	
16	L. P. Ludden, D. D.....	1878	Lincoln.	
17	A. T. Ludwig, *a*.....	1879	Jamestown, Mo.	
18	Henry Heiner.....	1879	Lincoln.	
19	W. G. Gettle, *a. e.*.....	1880	Steinauer.	
20	M. L. Melick.....	1880	Omaha.	
21	M. F. Troxell, D. D.	1881	Atchison, Kan.	
22	L. M. Kuhns, *a. e.*.....	1885	Omaha.	
23	R. A. White.....	1886	York.	
24	S. R. Elson, *a. e.*.....	1889	Omaha.	
25	J. F. Seibert.....	1891	North Platte.	
26	W. C. Eckert, *a*.....	1891	Dakota City.	
27	C. J. Ringer.....	1894	Wayne.....	Robt. Stambaugh, *a. e.*
28	J. W. Ball, Ph. D.....	1894	Lincoln.	
29	H. A. Wolfe.....	1894	Davenport.	
30	W. S. Oberholtzer	1895	Dakota City.	Mrs. W. A. Heikes, *a.*
31	M. D. Berg.....	1896	Ponca.	
32	B. F. Kistler.....	1896	Benson.	
33	W. F. Poot, LL. D., *a. e*...	1899	Tekamah.....	G. A. Crannell.
34	G. W. Livers	1899	Benedict	R. H. Conant.
35	E. H. Combs	1899	Homer.....	J. M. King, *a.*
36	J. Philip Anshutz, *a*.....	1900	South Omaha.	
37	John E. Hummon.....	1901	Omaha.....	J. F. Bloom, *a.*
38	R. M. Badger.....	1902	Hardy.	
39	W. T. Kahse	1903	Grand Island....	Fred. Soll.
40	C. H. B. Lewis.....	1904	Lincoln	J. J. Stein, *a. e.*
41	L. J. Powell.....	1904	Sutherland.	
42	Gustav Klatt.....	1905	Stamford.	
43	R. W. Livers	1905	South Omaha....	John Weiner, *a. e.*
44	W. C. Heidenreich	1906	Oshkosh.	
45	C. R. Lowe.....	1906	Rising	L. J. Saylor.
46	L. F. Gunderman.....	1907	Sidney.....	F. G. Griffith, *a. e.*
47	H. E. Zimmerman.....	....	Omaha.	
..	.....	....	Stella.....	W. H. Hogrefe.
..	.....	....	McCool Junction.	E. C. Gilliland.

a. Absent. *a. e.* Absent and excused.

Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Church Exension, was recognized in his official capacity, and given the floor of Synod.

The rules were set aside, and immediately after the President's Report time was set to hear Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D.

The President's Report was read and referred to the Committee on President's Report.

President's Report.

DEAR BRETHREN:

By the grace and mercy of the Triune God, we have again assembled in annual convention to worship Him who graciously redeemed us from sin and death and called us into His work; assembled to transact such business of the Church as may properly come before us, and by conference and communion with Jehovah, get wisdom and will to go forward in His holy kingdom.

The most essential thing is that we be led by His Spirit. To this end it is ours to lean, not upon our own understanding, but ask for and rely upon His Spirit to guide and quicken us according to His great mercy and our deep need.

The following record of official acts is hereby submitted as you require at the hands of your presiding officer.

Being notified by Rev. J. S. Leamer that he was about to leave the bounds of the Nebraska Synod, I appointed, on January 21st, the Rev. G. W. Livers as Secretary, to fill Brother Leamer's unexpired term.

PASTORS DISMISSED.

On February 19th, a letter of dismissal to the Central Illinois Synod was granted to Rev. N. A. Whitman.

April 20th, a letter of dismissal was granted to Rev. H. J. Hapeman to the Rocky Mountain Synod.

April 26th, a letter to the Rocky Mountain Synod was granted Rev. J. H. Link.

May 7th, a letter of dismissal to the Iowa Synod was granted to Rev. J. S. Leamer.

July 12th, a letter of dismissal was granted Rev. C. Rollin Sherck to the Olive Branch Synod.

July 6th, a letter to the Kansas Synod was granted to Rev. E. Bollman.

PASTORS RECEIVED.

Rev. H. E. Zimmerman, of Omaha, presented a letter of dismissal from the West Pennsylvania Synod, dated November 29th, 1906.

Rev. B. F. Kistler, of Benson, presented a letter of dismissal from the Iowa Synod, dated June 18th, 1907.

Their names are duly enrolled.

MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

February 1st, Rev. J. L. Hammond, as pastor of the church at Roca, resigned, and on April 1st, 1907, took charge of the church at Yutan.

March 1st, Rev. N. A. Whitman resigned the charge at Pawnee, accepting a call within bounds of Central Illinois Synod.

Rising-Surprise pastorate was vacated by Rev. M. L. Kunkelman, M. D., March 10th, 1907, and taken up by Rev. Chas. R. Lowe on June 14th, 1907.

St. Paul's Church, at Auburn, was vacated by Rev. J. Philip Anshutz, February 1st, 1907, and taken up by Rev. M. L. Kunkelman, M. D., March 17th, 1907.

Grace Church, of Lincoln, Neb., was made vacant by the resignation of Rev. C. Rollin Sherck, and was occupied June 1st, by Rev. Charles H. B. Lewis.

The Wolbach-Ericson pastorate was vacated by Rev. E. Bollman, July 1st, 1907.

The church at Wilber was vacated by Rev. Charles H. B. Lewis, May 31st, 1907.

The church at McCool Junction was vacated by Rev. H. A. Wolfe, who on that date began work as pastor at Davenport.

AD INTERIM LICENSE AND SUPPLIES.

Mr. Louis F. Gunderman, graduate student of the Wittenberg Theological Seminary, having accepted a call to Sidney, Neb., was upon recommendation of the Examining Committee, granted *ad interim* license June 1st, to perform all ministerial acts.

Mr. Herman L. Rohde, student of Western Theological Seminary, supplied the church at Stella during the summer months. For which purpose, on advice of the Examining Board, a license was issued him May 18th. Good work is reported by him, increased attendance, new sidewalks, and other improvements have been made. The earnest hope is that at an early date a settled pastor may be had at Stella.

INSTALLATION.

At Benson, Neb., Rev. B. F. Kistler was formally installed on the 18th day of August. Rev. J. A. Lowe delivered the charge to the pastor in the morning, and Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., to the people in the evening, after which installation was conducted in due form.

VACANCIES.

Last year our report expressed gratitude to God that so few vacancies existed. This year we face one of the most formidable lists ever presented to Synod, and that in spite of persistent effort and large correspondence during the year to locate men suitable to those charges. It has been a cause of deep anxiety, an object of earnest prayer to the great Head of the Church,

and is one of the most important and difficult problems to come before this body for solution. It is the old cry for men—God give us men! strong, aggressive, loyal to Jesus Christ. They are the great need of these earnest days.

Vacant, since March, 1906, Stella; since February 1st, 1907, Roca; March 1st, Pawnee City; since March 25th, Grace Church, in the Tekamah charge; since April 1st, McCool Junction; since May 31st, Wilber; since July 1st, Wolbach-Ericson.

Notice has been sent the President that on November 1st Ponca will be vacated by the Rev. M. D. Berg, who, after a successful ministry of several years, seeks rest and health in the far West.

At Roca a $200.00 subscription has been raised for salary. The Advisory Board agrees that Walton and Roca should be formed into one pastorate, and if a suitable man can be found to serve them, an appropriation from our Synodical mission fund should be made toward his support.

Steinauer.—On July 29th, Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., Field Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, sold our church property at Steinauer. He reported that there are no Lutheran members there. The Board donated $200.00 towards building the church, and the title was vested in the Board. The church was sold for $550.00. The organ, carpet and Bible are at our disposal. Unless otherwise directed by Synod, they will be sent to the mission at York, Neb.

NEW BUILDINGS, IMPROVEMENTS, DEBTS PAID.

The past year has been one of the greatest material prosperity in the history of our great country. Our churches have shared in it. From almost all the charges comes word of improvements or debts canceled, paint, paper, sidewalks, parsonage, something worthy of mention. For brevity, we forego the pleasure of special mention in most cases, grateful to God for each good report.

St. Mark's, of Omaha, under the leadership of Rev. L. Groh, D. D., dedicated a new and beautiful house of worship, on the 7th day of April, 1907, at a cost of $13,000.00. This congregation, organized in 1886, received aid from the Board of Home Missions till 1900.

In the erection of this new building they obtained, without interest, a loan of $2,250.00. The main audience-room seats two hundred and fifty, is finished in oak, walls and ceilings beautifully frescoed, electric lights throughout.

Dr. Groh took charge in 1896 with a membership of fifty-four, attained self-support in the congregation in four years, and in the eleventh year of his service dedicated this new house of worship. Synod joins him and them in joyful gratitude to Almighty God for His rich blessing.

Hardy, Neb.—This church, with the pastor, Rev. Roy M. Badger, rejoices in great material progress during the past Synodical year. The old church, built during the ministry of Rev. J. A. Lowe, who organized the congregation in 1881, was supplanted by a new and beautiful brick-veneered building,

thirty-eight by seventy-eight, divided into audience and Sunday school rooms. It is adorned with art glass windows and a tower of fifty-two feet.

The cost, $8,000.00, provided for before dedication Sunday, January 20th, 1907, is a testimony to the prosperity and liberality of the people, to the energetic labor and wise management of the pastor and his noble wife. The earliest minister in the bounds of this pastorate was Rev. George Walker, who lived and organized a congregation near White Rock, Kan. The very small beginnings are in great contrast with the present strength. May the grace of God continue the steady growth of the church at Hardy!

For report of new churches at Sutherland and Paxton, see report of Advisory Board of Home Missions.

Rev. J. F. Seibert, of North Platte, writes of their new parsonage: "We have erected a nine-room house with all modern conveniences, as electric light, bath, etc., at a cost of $3,150.00, paying annually through a series of years, without great burden upon our people. The old parsonage, at a cost of about $400.00, has been removed and converted into a parish house, for primary Sunday school, week meetings, social gatherings, etc. There are also other than material evidences of growth at North Platte."

Our young brother, Gustav Klatt, of Stamford, writes that they have not much to report, only about $300.00 repairs on the church, and the construction of a parsonage at a cost of about $1,100.00. It is hard to guess what he imagines will be the important occurrence at Stamford.

In the discharge of my duties for Synod I have traveled two hundred and fifty-six miles, communicated by telephone four times, and by mail three hundred and sixty-six times.

The important trust committed to me is now returned to you. I have continually grown more conscious that it *is* very important, particularly in the responsibility of advising pastors and vacant churches, and bringing suitable ones together.

Conscious that the work has been but poorly done, and thanking you for your patience and co-operation, I submit the report to your hands.

Respectfully submitted, J. A. LOWE.

Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., presented the work of the Board of Church Extension.

The Treasurer's Report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee, and resolutions referred to the proper committee.

Treasurer's Report.

BRETHREN OF THE NEBRASKA SYNOD:

Herewith is submitted my fifth annual report as Treasurer for the year ending September 6th, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand last report		$744 40
Received for Home Missions—		
Regular	$782 39	
Synodical Mission Fund	596 62	
Special pledge	19 00	
		1398 01
Received for Foreign Missions—		
Regular	$694 45	
First Seventy	10 00	
India Famine	13 10	
		717 55
Received for Educational Purposes—		
Board of Education	$372 15	
Ministerial Education	149 45	
Midland Library Endowment	191 95	
Student at Midland, Special	10 00	
		723 55
Received for Church Extension		479 87
Received for Synodical Treasury		312 45
Received for Deaconess Board		210 59
Received for Pastors' Fund		195 63
Received for National Lutheran Home		142 82
Received for Nachusa Orphans' Home		140 69
Received for General Synod		47 95
Received for Tabitha Home		3 00
Received for Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society		2 00
Total		$5118 51

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Treasurer of Home Missions	$825 49
Paid Treasurer of Foreign Missions	720 54
Paid Treasurer of Church Extension	483 91
Paid Treasurer of Board of Education	383 74
Paid Treasurer of Deaconess Board	227 12
Paid Treasurer of Pastors' Fund	209 16
Paid Treasurer of National Lutheran Home	151 02
Paid Treasurer of General Synod	53 90
Paid Treasurer of Nachusa Orphans' Home	150 29
Paid Treasurer of Midland Library Endowment	183 15
Paid Treasurer of Tabitha Home	3 00
Paid Treasurer of Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society	2 00

Paid Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., special for Midland student.....		$10 00
Paid *Christian Herald* for India famine		13 10
Paid from Synodical Mission Fund—		
Rev. R. A. White.....	$50 00	
Rev. R. W. Livers.....	9 00	
		59 00
Paid from Ministerial Education Fund—		
John Sorensen.....	$125 00	
R. Fred. White	125 00	
M. Mortensen.....	100 00	
Floyd Blessing	65 00	
		415 00
Paid from Synodical Treasury—		
Lutheran Publication Society	$190 66	
M. L. Melick.....	8 75	
John F. Seibert.....	23 00	
J. A. Lowe.....	13 65	
J. S. Leamer.....	33 25	
Charles H. Lewis,.....	3 35	
R. A. White.....	2 10	
Joseph H. Miller.....	8 25	
J. P. Anshutz.....	2 10	
Paul Springer Company.....	8 57	
J. W. Ball.....	1 00	
L. P. Ludden.....	16 30	
R. W. Livers.....	1 70	
C. J. Ringer.....	1 00	
		313 68
Cash on hand.....		914 41
Total.....		$5118 51

The cash on hand is distributed as follows—		
Synodical Mission Fund.....	$672 40	
Ministerial Education.....	152 87	
Synodical Treasury.....	76 19	
Various objects.....	12 95	
Total.....	$914 41	

From the Treasurer's Exhibit for the year, it will be noted that $4,374.11 has been received for all objects, that 24 churches equaled or exceeded their

apportionment, and that 22 churches fell short, 3 of which having paid nothing.

Deducting $407.71 which was received from the Treasurer of the Traveling Secretary Committee, and $54.10 for external objects, only 78.76 per cent. of the whole apportionment has been raised, there being a deficit of $1,054.58. This shows a decided falling off over the previous two or three years, which is very much to be regretted.

Your Treasurer would respectfully submit the following recommendations for the consideration of Synod:

In view of the ten-year service clause in the notes given by our beneficiaries for the aid received from Synod, be it

1. *Resolved*, That the notes be canceled and returned by the Treasurer of Synod to as many of our beneficiaries as have been in the active ministry for ten years or more, including those who, because of ill health, have been physically unable to carry out their part of the contract.

2. *Resolved*, That in case a Synodical Secretary is not secured at once, Synod instruct the President to either visit, or appoint some one to visit, all vacant churches quarterly to administer the Lord's Supper and endeavor to secure the full apportionment from each church, the expense for such work to be paid from the Synodical Mission Fund.

3. *Resolved*, That Synod recommend all pastors and Sunday school superintendents to observe, as far as possible, the special days of the various Boards, and remit early to the Synodical Treasurer the total amounts so contributed to these special objects, not confining the amount to the mere apportionment.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF MONEY RECEIVED SINCE SEPTEMBER 7.

Omaha, St. Mark's	$21 00
Lincoln	112 19
Omaha, Kountze Memorial	281 56
Beatrice	14 10
York	13 70
Benson	5 12
Davenport	5 25
Stamford	25 00
Orleans	10 00
	$487 92
Previously reported	914 41
Total	$1402 33

Respectfully submitted, JOSEPH H. MILLER.

Treasurer's Exhibit for the

	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions. Regular.	Synodical Mission Fund.	Special.	Foreign Missions. Regular.	Special.
Auburn	$1 40	$7 00	$19 60	$4 00	.....	$17 50	.....
Beatrice	2 82	14 10	30 48	.....	.....	35 25	.....
Benedict, Bethel	58	2 90	8 12	3 77	.....	7 25	.....
Benedict, Zion	1 68	8 40	23 52	8 40	.....	21 00	.....
Dakota City, Emmanuel	66	3 30	9 43	3 30	.....	13 25	.....
Dakota City, Salem	1 74	8 70	24 36	8 70	.....	21 75	.....
Davenport	1 46	7 30	10 00	6 25	.....	10 00	$10 00
Davenport, St. Paul's	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ericson	32	1 60	4 48	1 80	.....	4 00	.....
Grand Island	3 73	18 60	52 08	18 60	.....	48 50	13 10
Hardy	1 56	7 80	21 84	7 80	.....	19 75	.....
Jewell	38	1 90	6 02	1 90	.....	4 75	.....
Hendley	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Homer	86	4 30	14 96	4 30	.....	10 75	.....
Lewellen	38	2 00	5 40	1 90	.....	4 75	.....
Lincoln	.....	.....	27 36	.....	.....	.....	.....
McCool Junction	.....	.....	10 17	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nebraska City	2 02	10 10	28 28	10 10	.....	25 25	.....
North Platte	3 50	17 50	49 73	17 50	.....	43 75	.....
Omaha, Grace	2 40	12 00	33 60	.....	.....	29 60	.....
Omaha, Kountze Memorial	.....	40 40	54 72	.....	.....	201 00	.....
Omaha, St. Mark's	1 68	8 40	23 52	8 40	.....	.....	.....
Orleans	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oshkosh	30	1 50	4 25	1 60	.....	3 75	.....
Pawnee City	86	4 30	15 79	4 30	.....	10 75	.....
Paxton	96	4 80	13 44	4 80	.....	16 40	.....
Ponca	2 06	10 30	28 57	10 30	.....	35 50	.....
Rising City	1 58	7 90	22 12	7 90	.....	24 75	.....
Roca	50	2 50	7 00	2 50	.....	6 25	.....
Sidney	1 08	4 40	15 12	4 00	.....	10 52	.....
Sidney, St. Paul's	44	1 00	4 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....
South Sioux	70	3 50	9 80	1 00	.....	5 25	.....
South Omaha	56	2 80	7 84	2 80	.....	8 25	.....
Stamford	1 00	2 00	3 50	.....	$2 00	3 50	.....
Stella	1 46	7 30	20 44	7 30	.....	18 25	.....
Surprise	1 00	5 00	14 28	5 00	.....	12 50	.....
Sutherland	76	3 80	10 64	3 80	.....	13 22	.....
Tekamah, Immanuel	74	3 70	10 36	3 70	.....	9 25	.....
Tekamah, Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waverly	88	4 40	12 32	4 40	.....	11 00	.....
Wayne	.....	6 13	15 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....
West Point	3 36	16 80	47 04	16 80	.....	42 00	.....
Wilber	1 18	5 90	16 66	.....	.....	15 00	.....
Wolbach	.....	.....	16 80	.....	.....	14 20	.....
York	74	.....	10 36	.....	.....	9 25	.....
Yutan	38	1 90	5 37	2 00	.....	4 85	.....
Offerings at Synod	.....	4 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Treasurer Traveling Secretary Com	.....	.....	.....	407 71	.....	.....	.....
Rev. W. C. Eckhart	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rev. L. P. Ludden	.....	2 00	.....	.....	19 00	.....	.....
Rev. Alvin T. Ludwig	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rev. M. F. Troxell	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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Synodical Year.

Church Extension.		Education.										
Regular.	Special.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Midland Library Endowment.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Deaconess Board.	National Lutheran Home.	Totals.	Paid Toward External Objects.	Per Cent. Paid on Apportionment.
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The Statistical Secretary reported. (See pages 42-47.)

The Historian reported:

Report of Historian.

Your Historian would respectfully report that only eight of the brethren have responded to our call for historical and biographical sketches; hence, it has been impossible to do much in the way of writing a history. We want to urge an early response to our request made over a year ago so that we may proceed in our work.

Respectfully submitted, M. L. MELICK,
Historian.

Election of Officers.

President—Rev. J. A. Lowe.
Secretary—Rev. G. W. Livers.
Statistical Secretary—Rev. C. J. Ringer.
Treasurer—J. H. Miller, M. D.
Historian—Rev. M. L. Melick.

Rev. W. Kronsbein, fraternal delegate from the German Nebraska Synod, and Rev. G. H. Michelmann, pastor of the German Church, Grand Island, were introduced to Synod and given seats as corresponding members.

After the election of officers the fraternal delegate from the German Nebraska Synod, Rev. W. Kronsbein, brought the greetings from that Synod, to which President Lowe responded.

On motion, two o'clock was set as the time to hear Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., the representative of the Board of Education and Midland College.

On motion, immediately after Dr. Troxell's address, the order of business be the hearing of the report of the Advisory Board of Home Missions, and the report of the Field Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D.

The President appointed the following committees:

List of Committees.

1. *Committee on President's Report*—Rev. J. L. Hammond, Rev. J. F. Seibert, and Rev. M. L. Melick.

2. *Auditing Committee*—Rev. R. W. Livers, Mr. Fred. Soll, and Mr. L. J. Saylor.

3. *Committee on North Platte Conference*—Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., Rev. J. Zimmerman, and Rev. J. A. Koser.

4. *Committee on South Platte Conference*—Rev. L. J. Powell, Rev. E. H. Combs, and Rev. W. S. Oberholtzer.

5. *Committee on State of Religion*—Rev. M. L. Kunkelman, M. D., Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph. D., and Rev. J. A. Koser.

6. *Committee on Excuses*—Rev. R. M. Badger, Rev. Charles R. Lowe, and Rev. W. F. Poot, LL. D.

7. *Committee on Leave of Absence*—Rev. H. A. Wolfe, Rev. B. F. Kistler, and Rev. W. C. Heidenreich.

8. *Committee on Letters and Papers*—Rev. J. E. Hummon, Rev. Charles H. B. Lewis, and Rev. C. J. Ringer.

9. *Committee on Resolutions*—Rev. W. S. Oberholtzer, Rev. M. D. Berg, and Rev. E. H. Combs.

10. *Committee on Apportionment*—J. H. Miller, M. D., Mr. G. A. Crannell, and Rev. M. L. Kunkelman, M. D.

11. *Committee on Vacancies*—Rev. R. A. White, Rev. L. Groh, D. D., and Rev. Gustav Klatt.

12. *Calendar Committee*—Rev. L. L. Lipe, Rev. J. F. Seibert, and Rev. M. L. Melick.

13. *Committee on Sunday Services*—Rev. W. T. Kahse, Rev. J. A. Lowe, and Rev. G. W. Livers.

On motion, the hours for the sessions of Synod were fixed: The forenoon, 8.30 to 11.45; the afternoon, from 2 to 5 o'clock.

On motion, the Calendar Committee was authorized to appoint a speaker on charitable institutions.

On motion, the President was authorized to appoint a reporter for the press for the year.

Rev. C. H. B. Lewis was appointed.

Adjourned, with prayer.

SECOND SESSION.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

Opened with prayer.

The Trustees of Midland College reported:

Report of Trustees of Midland College.

The annual meeting of the Trustees of Midland College was held June 5th, 1907. The attendance was unusually large, more than two-thirds of the members being in session. Because of just having returned from the East, one of our Trustees, Rev. J. E. Hummon, could not be present. The expenses for the college year reached almost $14,000,00, an increase of $3,000.00 over the preceding year, yet the income was practically sufficient to meet all expenditures. The college now has an endowment of over $37,000.00. Mr. Albert Sprick, an alumnus of the college, was elected a member of the Board, to succeed his father, the late Hon. Henry Sprick. Mr. Le Roy H. Kelsey, another alumnus, was elected Secretary of the Board. Several changes in the teaching force of the academic and musical departments of the institution took place, the most notable addition being the arranging of the course of elocution as a regular department of the college, and giving regular instruction to all the classes without extra charge, as in previous years. One hundred dollars was voted for equipment for each of the library, mathematical and biological departments, and by a rearrangement of several rooms excellent facilities for biological work have been secured. The college opened last week for the current semester under favorable auspices, the enrollment in the college and academic departments equaling the enrollment for the entire past year. The freshman class numbers eighteen, and is one of the largest and best entering classes in the history of the institution. Unless there is disappointment in those yet expected, every room in both Atchison and Oak Halls will be occupied before the session is far advanced. Your Trustees are of the opinion that the number of students could be still more largely increased if a more vigorous canvass on the part of the entire faculty of the college were secured during a part of the summer vacation. We believe the Board of Trustees ought to require at least a month of the vacation period for this purpose from every member. The Kansas Synod presented a memorial asking that the Synodical representation of the Board of Trustees be doubled, and that the number to be elected by the Board be correspondingly decreased. A committee has been appointed to consider the matter and report a year hence. It would be well for this Synod to give expression on the matter, that your Trustees can voice your sentiments. The college and those in charge are worthy of our continued hearty co-operation and best efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. SEIBERT,
JOHN E. HUMMON.

Pending the adoption of this report Dr. Troxell brought the greetings of Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D., President of the Western Theological Seminary, and presented the work of the Board of Education and the interests of Midland College, after which the report was adopted.

The Apportionment Committee asked for an expression from Synod in regard to the apportionment for the coming year.

On motion, the Apportionment Committee be instructed to apportion the amount for General Synod objects, as asked by that body.

On motion, that there be no apportionment for Synodical Mission Fund, and reduce the Synodical Treasury one cent per member.

The report of the Advisory Board of Home Missions was read.

Report of Advisory Board of Home Missions.

Omaha, Grace, Rev. M. L. Melick, missionary, was supplied by Rev. G. W. Fraser during the pastor's visit home and attendance at the General Synod. For sixteen years Brother Melick had not visited his loved ones. Home missionaries are sometimes kept at their posts continuously for a longer period than is required of foreign missionaries. Twenty-seven additions have been made to the membership of Grace Mission; attendance in all departments encouraging; benevolence increased; appropriations from the Board cut down $50.00; pastor's salary raised $50.00, and $82.00 repairs made on janitor's cottage. The steady growth of Grace Mission is evidenced by annual increase every way, in which the whole Synod rejoices.

Sidney, Rev. Louis F. Gunderman took charge of this mission June 1st, after a vacancy of three months. He reports $175.00 on parsonage, church and insurance; also a reduction of $10.00 on Board's appropriation. New members have been added, and the work looks forward with great confidence.

Homer and South Sioux City, Rev. Elmer H. Combs, missionary. At Homer the attendance at service has not increased over last year. Dr. L. Groh conducted five days' very instructive gospel service. Subscription to cancel parsonage debt of about $300.00 has been nearly completed. The ladies have raised $90.00 for purchase of pews. At South Sioux City the people feel more kindly than they did hitherto toward churches. Members are growing in benevolence. An interesting and helpful children's choir has been organized. The work of the pastorate is maintaining its excellent condition.

Wayne, Rev. C. J. Ringer, pastor, sends its usual good news. The last

payment on the parsonage debt has been paid, the house repainted and otherwise put in good repair. Appropriation from the Board reduced $25.00, and all conditions are favorable to continued progress.

Wilber, under the efficient labors of Rev. Charles H. B. Lewis, was in a prospering condition up till the 31st of May, when it became vacant by the pastor's resignation. During the year the pastor, assisted by the young people, made a basement to the church, and fitted up a room for the pastor's study. The slow growth of this mission, the long years of struggle, the financial burden, and the losses by removal tend greatly to discourage the members. It is of prime importance that an efficient missionary be secured for them at an early day.

Wolbach.—This mission, founded and served by Rev. E. Bollman, has been vacant since the 30th of June. Through the vigorous financiering of the missionary, they have a house of worship worth about $3,000.00, with but little, if any, debt. There is a strong Lutheran population at Wolbach. The young people carry on a vigorous Sunday school, and, with an efficient leader, will continue to grow in strength and usefulness.

York.—This mission, served by Rev. Robert A. White, worships in a rented church. It is expected that the property will this winter be thrown on the market for sale, an event for which the mission is patiently waiting, in the hope of buying it. Until they secure a house of worship, it is scarcely to be expected that they will rapidly gain strength. Conditions are much the same as reported one year ago. Brother White and his loyal wife are faithful in their labor, waiting for the great step to be taken of securing their own church home. They were commended by the Advisory Board of Home Missions to the most favorable consideration of the Board of Church Extension.

Sutherland and Paxton, Rev. L. J. Powell, pastor, reports a good year of steady growth at both places, in confidence, benevolence and finances. The great work has been the building of new churches. The dedication at Sutherland took place August 18th. The building cost $2,150.00, furnished at a cost of $340.00, paid for except the lots, which are provided for at present. At Paxton, after five years renting, the congregation began to build their own house of worship, over $1,500.00 having been subscribed. The church, already under roof, will cost about $2,500.00, on lots obtained at the very low price of $75 00. In this mission over $3,500.00 has been subscribed and paid, besides the current expenses. Pastor and people labor and rejoice and hope together.

South Omaha, Rev. R. W. Livers, missionary, shows a strong growth the past year, doubling in number of members and in efficient strength. The session of Conference held in this mission was helpful to it. Finance and benevolence have been put on a systematic basis. The young members are proving excellent workers. The purchase of a lot for the church building will probably cost from $1,500.00 to $1,800.00. It is desirable to be sure the

right location is found before such an important step is taken. Synod rejoices with Brother Livers in the steady growth of the work in South Omaha.

Benson.—This mission, committed last year by Synod to the care of Rev. G. W. Livers, was assisted by him faithfully without pay until June, when Rev. B. F. Kistler, commissioned by the Board of Home Missions, took charge as the first pastor. Brother Kistler completed the organization on the 18th day of June with fifty-two charter members. The lots secured last year, through the labors of Brother John Sorensen, are well located, and will probably be used as a site for the church. This new-born babe is lusty and hopeful on account of the population of Lutheran training and the rapid growth of the city. Rev. Kistler is in tune with the progressive town, and all conditions are favorable to attaining self-support at an age unusually early for a Western mission.

Oshkosh and Lewellen, Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, pastor, is progressing slowly, as beginnings in such places must. Ten new members have been received at Lewellen and six at Oshkosh. Arrangements have been made to build a new church this fall. Subscription has been secured to the amount of $800.00, to build at a cost of about $2,000.00. Brother Heidenreich has the admiration and sympathy of all that have had experience in the beginnings of church life.

Pawnee City.—This mission has been vacant since the 1st of March, the date of Rev. N. A. Whitman's resignation. So long a vacancy, added to other discouragements, brings us face to face with the burning need of men for early and efficient supply of such places.

The missions are now receiving: Grace, Omaha, $350.00; Sidney, $110.00; Wilber, $100.00; Wolbach, $250.00; Homer and South Sioux City, $160.00; Wayne, $150.00; York, $400.00; Sutherland and Paxton, $200.00; South Omaha, $400.00; Benson, $400.00; Pawnee, $200.00; Oshkosh and Lewellen, $200.00.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. LOWE,
G. W. LIVERS,
JOHN F. SEIBERT,
M. D. BERG,
W. T. KAHSE.

Pending the adoption of the above report, Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., Field Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, was heard in the interest of Home Missions, after which the report was adopted.

Rev. Ghering, of the German Nebraska Synod, was introduced.

On motion, this Synod memorialize the Trustees of Midland College that the Synodical representation be doubled, and the number elected by the Board be accordingly diminished.

The Committee on Ministerial Education reported.

Report of Committee on Ministerial Education.

Your committee, in whose hands you have entrusted the work of Ministerial Education, entered upon the year with three young men, in behalf of whom appropriations were made at last session of Synod, viz., Frederick White, of the junior class in Midland College; Martin Mortensen, of the academic department of the same, and John Sorensen, partially in the collegiate department of Midland College, and partially in the Western Theological Seminary. About the middle of the scholastic year Floyd Blessing, a member of the freshman class at Midland College, having come well recommended, and having satisfactorily answered the questions as presented upon our question blank, was admitted by your committee, and an appropriation made in his behalf for the remainder of the year of $65.00.

All of these young men have received the amounts in full promised them, viz., Frederick White, $125.00; Martin Mortensen, $100.00; John Sorensen, $125.00, and Floyd Blessing, for balance of the year, $65.00.

Reports of these young men, as furnished by their instructors, indicate faithfulness in their work in general, while letters received from them from time to time betoken a determination upon their part to press forward until they have entered the holy ministry. Charles B. Whitman, who was also admitted upon the funds by Synod, was compelled by sickness to leave Midland College soon after he had entered upon the work, and before he had received any of the appropriation made in his behalf. We do not know where he is at present, what his condition of health is, nor what his purposes now are as regards preparing himself for the ministry.

Frederick White has renewed his application, and asks permission to enter the theological department at the opening of next term. We recommend that an appropriation of $125.00 be made in his behalf, and submit his request relative to taking up the study of theology prior to the completion of his college course to this body for decision.

Floyd Blessing has been admitted to the sophomore class. He has renewed his application for the ensuing year. We would recommend an appropriation of $125.00 in his behalf.

Martin Mortensen, who has been admitted to the senior preparatory class, having renewed his application, we would recommend for him an appropriation of $100.00, as heretofore.

John Sorensen has renewed his application, in behalf of whom we would recommend an appropriation of $100.00.

Your committee has had some correspondence with John Hershey, who received aid from this Synod during the scholastic year of 1905 and 1906, but did not return to school last year. In a letter of recent date he indicates a purpose to return to Midland College, but expresses himself as undecided with reference to preparing himself for the ministry. While he asks no further aid, he does not mention the money already received from this Synod. Your committee, therefore, asks instructions in this case: Shall we proceed to collect the money paid this brother?

John Poot received $125.00 for the scholastic year of 1905 and 1906, but did not return to college last year. In correspondence with this brother, during the early part of the synodical year, we were informed by him that it is his desire to continue preparation for the ministry, but expressed inability on account of a lack of means. We have more recently written this brother, in order to ascertain what he is doing and what his future purposes are, but have received no reply. We leave this matter here for instructions by Synod. What shall we do in this case?

Your committee feels that some means should be devised whereby this work will be more fully protected. Our failures and financial losses are largely due to our practice of admitting young men upon our funds before they have formed habits of study, or even know what such a course of preparation means as is necessary to qualify one for the gospel ministry, and before they have given sufficient proof of a determination to enter the sacred office.

We have nothing formal to offer in this connection, in view of the fact that what we have previously presented covering this point has not been acceptable to this body. We trust that some means will be devised during this session of Synod whereby the protection which this important work deserves will be thrown around it.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. KOSER,
W. S. OBERHOLTZER,
R. M. BADGER,
LUTHER P. LUDDEN,
JOSEPH H. MILLER.

On motion, the adoption of the above report be made the first thing in order Friday morning.

The report of the Nachusa Orphanage was read and adopted.

Report of Trustees of Nachusa Orphanage.

FATHERS AND BRETHREN:

Your Trustees submit the following report touching the third full year's work at Nachusa. The year has noted many changes in and around the Home, with a great advance in the material prosperity. The property and grounds are in

good condition. The work is being more and more thoroughly systemized. During the year the Board has secured a superintendent in the person of the Rev. C. E. Wirick. This has greatly relieved the Board of many duties, and put the work in much better shape in all departments.

At the annual meeting, held August 6th, 1907, the reports were most encouraging. The treasurer shows all bills paid and a nice balance on hand. Arrangements were perfected looking to the enlarging of the buildings. We do need more room for children. We do need more farm land. This year we are renting a number of acres, putting out crops that are paying, and thus helping to put the institution more and more on a self supporting basis.

We need household supplies. Write to the superintendent. Tell him what you can give, or how you can help in caring for these little ones for the winter.

We need another matron, our matron having resigned.

We need larger gifts of money. The Board has been greatly encouraged this past year by the reports of wills that have been made or probated with provisions for the Orphanage.

Brethren, we do need your prayers.

The term of the Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., expires this year. Another Trustee should be elected to keep our number full.

We are in a peculiar condition at this time. Last year the Synod elected the Rev. L. L. Lipe to succeed the undersigned, but I was President of the Board at the time, and the Constitution requires that I continue in office until my successor qualifies. The Constitution requires that members of the Board remain in office until their successors appear at a meeting of the Board and qualify. At the annual meeting Brother Lipe did not appear, and at the time of the election of officers only a quorum was present by using the proxy, and the election was postponed until such time as a full quorum could gather. Hence, while nominally not a member of the Board, I am still in office as the President of the Board. The Board adopted a resolution expressive of their wishes. The said resolution is now in the hands of the Committee on Correspondence.

We recommend that Synod elect a Trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Rev. Dr. Troxell.

We recommend that the resolution of the Nachusa Board be read to Synod.

Respectfully submitted, LUTHER P. LUDDEN.

On motion, the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for the Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., as Trustee of Nachusa Orphanage, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D.

On motion, Friday at 4 o'clock was made the time for hearing in regard to the Tabitha Home work.

On motion, following the special order, Friday morning be the time for hearing of the Committee on Revising the Constitution.

On motion, twelve cents was voted as apportionment for Ministerial Education.

Adjourned, with prayer.

EVENING SERVICE.

THURSDAY, 8 O'CLOCK.

Addresses were delivered by Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., on the subject of Home Missions; by Rev. G. W. Livers, on Church Extension; and by Mrs. Helen C. Beegle, Secretary of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, on the women's work.

THIRD SESSION.

FRIDAY, 8.30 A. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. E. H. Combs.

Opened with prayer.

Roll was called.

Being the time for the special order, the report of the Committee on Ministerial Education was considered *seriatim*.

Adoption of the first item was amended, that we decline to grant Mr. Frederick White this request, and urge him to take the Senior year in full at the college, and that the chairman of the Educational Committee be instructed to correspond with the President of the College with a view of permitting Mr. White to make up any work required for graduation.

On motion, the second and third items were adopted.

On motion, the fourth item was adopted with the discretion of the committee in regard to collecting money used by Mr. John Hershey.

On motion, the fifth item be adopted and the committee be appointed to correspond with Mr. Poot with the thought that the money be collected.

Adopted as a whole.

Rev. Marion J. Kline, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, was introduced and invited to a seat in the Synod.

Hearing the report of the Committee on Revising the Constitution being the order, that committee reported.

On motion, it was considered *seriatim*.

On motion, the hearing of Dr. Kline be made the first order of business after dinner.

On motion, immediately following Dr. Kline, the discussion of the Constitution be continued.

Adjourned, with prayer.

FOURTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, 2 P. M.

Opened with prayer.

An address was delivered on Foreign Missions by Rev. Marion J. Kline, D. D., of Baltimore, Md., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

After the address by Dr. Kline, the consideration of the Constitution was continued.

The report of the Committee on North Platte Conference was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on North Platte Conference.

Your committee would report that the books placed in our hands are the proceedings of the North Platte Conference of this Synod. They held one meeting this past year—May 14th, 15th, and 16th—with our congregation at South Omaha. The program shows that the meeting was one of considerable interest. But there was no action taken that requires any action on the part of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

LUTHER P. LUDDEN,
J. ZIMMERMAN,
J. A. KOSER.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

Resolutions.

WHEREAS, Our memorial of last session of Synod to the General Synod (see page 39 of last year's Minutes) relative to permanent location of Western Theological Seminary was considered by that body, and the matter referred to the Board of Education of the General Synod, with full power to act; and,

WHEREAS, It is still the opinion of this Synod, that with justice to the respective Synods of the General Synod within the State of Nebraska, and in view of the rich harvest of souls before our doors, the Western Theological Seminary should be located upon our territory; therefore, be it

1. *Resolved*, That we earnestly request the Board of Education of the General Synod to proceed as soon as may be feasible to secure a location within the State of Nebraska for the Western Theological Seminary, and furnish said institution with such buildings and equipments as may be necessary for the theological training of an efficient ministry in the Middle West.

2. *Resolved*, That, in view of the fact that the city of Lincoln is centrally located and furnished with railroad facilities, rendering it accessible from all parts; in view of its educational facilities and unusual literary advantages; and in view of the valuable acquisition of church property in the Tabitha Home located at Lincoln, which has so recently come into possession of our Church, it is, therefore, the sense of this Synod that no better location could be selected for the Western Theological Seminary than at the city of Lincoln.

3. *Resolved*, That a copy of the above resolutions be sent to the Board of Education of the General Synod, with request that this matter be prayerfully considered by that body.

4. *Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be laid before the German Nebraska Synod, with request that they shall join and co-operate with us in securing the permanent location of the Western Theological Seminary in the State of Nebraska.

Time of special order having arrived, Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph. D., presented the work being done at Tabitha Home, Lincoln.

After his report, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolution.

WHEREAS, Rev. Henry Heiner and his wife, the founders of Tabitha Home, have spent eighteen years of strenuous work building up this institution and caring for about 2,000 inmates at great self-denial, in the face of great difficulties and without salary, except the bare necessaries of life; and,

WHEREAS, Rev. Henry Heiner has turned over to the Lutheran Church the plant which he brought into existence mainly by his energy; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we heartily appreciate the work of Brother and Sister Heiner, and tender to them a vote of thanks for this splendid donation.

The report of the delegates to General Synod was read and adopted.

Report of Delegates to General Synod.

The Forty-third Convention of the General Synod was held in Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Sunbury, Pa., May 22d to 30th, 1907. Synod was opened with a sermon by the President, Rev. David H. Bauslin, D. D., on the theme, "The Mission and Opportunity of Lutheranism in the Present Religious Situation in this Country." He showed that our mission and opportunity is to "Stand fast in one Spirit striving for the faith of the gospel."

The business sessions of the Synod were organized on the morning of May 21st by the election of Rev. S. W. Owen, D. D., as President, Rev. H. K. Fenner, D. D., Secretary, and Mr. George H. Knollenberg, Treasurer.

The report on Foreign Missions was very encouraging. Five new missionaries went to Africa and one to India. During the biennium 6,986 were added to the church in India by Christian baptism.

Moreover, a deepening devotion to the work at home is evident from the largely increased offerings of the Church and the awakening interest of the young people in foreign missions. Forty-two new churches were formed in India, reaching 36 more villages than before. There was a net gain of 1,468 communicants and of 5,599 baptized members, and an increase of 493 pupils in our mission schools.

For the support of this work in India the receipts of the biennium were $40,547.78, an increase of $8,274.66. The Board has no debts, but asks for prompt contributions to prevent a deficit. By resolutions of the Synod, all pastors are earnestly requested to devote the Sunday preceding Foreign Mission Day to the consideration of the opportunity and obligation for the world's evangelization, and to bring the needs and claims of the work to the attention of their people.

As to the Home for the Aged, the Synod passed the resolution that all pastors and laymen of the General Synod raise at least the apportionment, and keep the benefits of the Home fresh in the minds of the people; make generous contributions and liberal bequests, that in time a large and comfortable Home may become self-sustaining.

The report of the Board of Home Missions was very gratifying, the best on record. It showed that during the biennium 27 missions became self-sustaining, 36 new missions were received, 36 new mission churches built or bought, and 8,171 members received into our Home Mission churches; and this work cheerfully supported by our people.

The Board of Church Extension presented a report that was far ahead of any previously presented, showing greatly increased receipts and appropriations to carry on this work throughout the territory of the General Synod. Sixty churches returned loans and 20 Synods exceeded their apportionment during the biennium.

The Board of Education. There are marked evidences of divine blessing accompanying the work of this Board, as it presented the most encouraging report it ever submitted to the General Synod. The Synod authorized the Board to grant an annual appropriation to Pennsylvania College, Wittenberg College, Susquehanna University, and Watts Memorial College, as soon as in its judgment it is advisable to do so, and that for this purpose its apportionment for the coming biennium be increased from twelve to twenty cents.

Synod hailed with joy the Laymen's Movement, which seeks to aid our pastors in developing the benevolent spirit, and to interest men more deeply in our missionary and benevolent work.

The report of the Tabitha Home was presented by Rev. B. R. Lantz, of St. Joseph, Mo., on behalf of the Board, asking the recognition by General Synod. The value of the property is estimated at from $40,000.00 to $50,000.00; the indebtedness at $13,500.00. Legacies, considered good, are estimated at $6,000.00. The General Synod heartily extended the recognition asked for, and laid an apportionment of two cents per member for its maintenance.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. MELICK,
J. E. HUMMON,
J. W. BALL,
R. A. WHITE,
J. A. LOWE,
A. T. PETERS,
ANDREW YOST,
W. H. HOGREFE,
C. E. GILLILAND,
PHILIP BINDERNAGEL.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and adopted.

Report of Auditing Committee.

We, your Auditing Committee, have examined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer, and find everything in accord with his report submitted to this Synod. We further recommend the adoption of the three resolutions contained and presented in his annual report. (See Treasurer's Report.)

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH W. LIVERS,
FRED SOLL,
L. J. SAYLOR.

The report of the Committee on Traveling Secretary was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Traveling Secretary.

The Committee on Traveling Secretary for the year 1906-07 has made some efforts to become more than a nominal body. On Monday following the

adjournment of Synod, the committee met in Omaha and organized with the following officers: President, Rev. M. H. Melick; Secretary, Rev. J. E. Hummon; Agent for the Property held for the Home of the Traveling Secretary, Mr. M. W. Swain.

According to the resolution of Synod in convention at Omaha, the committee extended a call to Rev. John F. Seibert, of North Platte, the position of Traveling Secretary, which call, for good and sufficient reasons, was declined by Brother Seibert, and no other man seeming available to the committee, the matter was dropped, and the year has passed with no missionary in the field.

The Secretary of the committee was instructed to correspond with individuals and churches of the Nebraska Synod, asking for funds to carry on this work. This was done with the result of securing subscriptions to the amount of about $500.00.

In full faith that the brother to whom the call to become Traveling Secretary was extended would accept, the Agent of the property was instructed to have the house vacated. This was accomplished on January 1st. As a result, the house remained vacant until March 1st, when Mr. Swain himself took possession, and is occupying the house at the present time. Mr. Swain was also instructed to make needed repairs to the house, which, according to his report, has been done.

While the committee recognizes the importance of this work and the need of the field for a Traveling Missionary to prosecute the work as outlined in the resolutions of Synod of last year, we at the same time believe, with conditions prevailing to-day—the increased cost of living, the want of men to occupy fields already established, and the failure to raise a sufficient amount to properly maintain the work—that the time is inopportune for such procedure.

We, therefore, recommend that the calling of a Traveling Missionary into the field be dropped for the present, and that the funds received from the rental of the propery be used under the direction of the committee for mission work in Omaha.

Respectfully submitted, COMMITTEE.

Adjourned, with prayer.

EVENING SERVICE.

FRIDAY, 8 O'CLOCK.

At the evening service, an address was delivered by Rev. E. H. Combs on the subject, "Our Deaconess Work," followed by Rev. L. L. Lipe on "Education."

FIFTH SESSION.

SATURDAY 8.30 A. M.

Devotional service was conducted by Rev. R. A. White.

On motion, E. C. Gilliland was enrolled as delegate from McCool Junction.

The report of the Committee on South Platte Conference was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on South Platte Conference.

Your Committee on South Platte Conference has examined the minutes of the Conference held at Benedict, April 23d to 25th.

We find the Conference was regularly held, that the attendance was reasonably good, and that an excellent program was carried through, which proved of help and inspiration to those attending.

The following two items of worth appearing on these minutes demand attention before this body:

In consideration of a movement to organize a Nebraska branch of the American Bible League, a resolution that we co-operate with this movement and give it our hearty support.

WHEREAS, Legislation has been proposed whereby all associations and corporations that have the care and placing of delinquent and dependent children under the control of the State through the State Board of Charities; and,

WHERAS, Such legislation, if successful, would effect materially the working of the orphanages of the State, those under the care of the various churches, as well as those more strictly private, and probably be a menace to such institutions; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we are unalterably opposed to such legislation; that we believe those at the head of such institutions are fully competent to manage them without any dictation or interference from said Board of Charities; and be it

Resolved, That we ask the Synod and the German Nebraska Synod to pass this or similar action.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. POWELL,
E. H. COMBS,
W. S. OBERHOLTZER.

The report of the Committee on Letters and Papers was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Letters and Papers.

Your committee has carefully examined all the letters and papers placed in its possession, and finds that the following matters demand the attention of Synod:

First. A letter was received from the First Lutheran Church, Benson, Neb., Rev. B. F. Kistler, pastor, requesting admission into the Nebraska Synod. The congregation having complied with all the conditions, we recommend that it be received into Synod.

Second. A communication was received from Albert H. Studebaker, D. D., concerning the new contemplated magazine, *Lutheran Church Work*, urging the interest and support of this Synod. We recommend that the pastors and lay delegates of this Synod urge upon their congregations their loyal support and hearty co-operation in making the proposed new magazine a complete success.

Third. With respect to a communication received from Dr. F. G. Gotwald, Secretary of the Board of Education, in which he makes certain requests in connection with his work. First, he calls attention to a resolution of the General Synod, recommending to the District Synods the support of students in Breklum, Germany; such students, after the completion of the Breklum course, to be assigned to the seminary selected by the supporting Synod. We recommend that in case there is any lack of applications of American candidates for the ministry that the Synod appropriate a portion of its beneficiary money for this preparatory work at Breklum. The Secretary of the Board of Education requests a list of every congregation in our Synod where German services are held that he may correspond with them directly with respect to the Breklum work. He also requests to be notified of any changes in our Clerical Roll that may have been made in the past year.

We recommend that the Secretary be requested to comply with these requests.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. HUMMON,
C. H. B. LEWIS,
C. J. RINGER.

The report of the Committee on Vacancies was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Vacancies.

We find the following congregations in the bounds of our Synod are vacant: Grace, Burt County; McCook Junction, Wilber, Stella, Roca, Wolbach, and Pawnee City.

As we have learned from experience, these congregations without the regular services and preachinng of the word, will rapidly decline, bringing to the Church great loss; therefore, we recommend that the President of Synod

be requested to arrange with these various congregations, and with the brethren of Synod, for regular monthly supplies; that the brethren of Synod be earnestly urged to supply these vacancies occasionally, so that our vacancies may be served once a month at least, and the communion administered once per quarter, and the apportionment be raised, as far as possible.

We recommend further, that the congregations be requested to pay supplies in the same proportion as they have been accustomed to pay regular pastors.

We learn that there is a desire on the part of Grace Church, Burt County, to be separated from Tekamah. We recommend that the matter be adjusted by the President of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. WHITE,
L. GROH,
G. KLATT.

On motion,

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Synod that in all actions taken by Synod relative to the securing of paper or papers in the hands of the former Secretary of the Traveling Secretary Committee, the Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, no reflection upon the character of the brother was intended.

The motion was adopted.

On motion,

Resolved, That the present Secretary of the Traveling Secretary Committee be instructed to deliver to the Secretary of Synod while in session the book now in his possession, and that the Secretary of Synod be instructed to sign such receipt for said book as Secretary Hummon may prepare, provided said receipt shall in no way conflict with our Constitution.

The motion was adopted.

On motion,

Resolved, That our Trustees to Tabitha Home be requested to make careful legal investigation with a view of so changing or reincorporating said governing body as to create a Board of Directors, members of the different Synods, with a nominal Board of Trustees composed entirely of Nebraska members.

The motion was adopted.

On motion, one-third of the advertising space on the last page of the cover of the printed Minutes be given to Tabitha Home.

The Report of the Committee on Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies.

Your committee held one meeting during the year at Lincoln, at which Rev. C. H. B. Lewis was made Secretary, and plans were laid for the work of the committee. These plans, however, it has been impossible to carry out, owing to lack of available funds.

The committee takes pleasure in reporting excellent progress in the work of our Sunday schools during the year. While the number of schools has remained the same as previously, viz., 42, the number of officers and teachers has increased by 13, and the number of scholars, 379. The gifts for local objects have increased $73.12, and the gifts for benevolence, $42.03.

We wish it were possible to present a similar report from our Young People's Societies. We are obliged, however, to record a loss in membership in these societies, amounting to 148, a decrease in offerings for local objects amounting to $166.49, and a decrease in offerings for benevolence amounting to $2.05.

How much of the advance in our Sunday school work has been due to the work of your committee it would be difficult to say, but it is fair to assume that it is traceable in no small measure to the work of your committee at the last meeting of Synod and during the year. It is evident also that greater attention should be given by the various pastors to the Young People's Societies.

Your committee has stood ready to aid in every way within its power to assist in the work of our Sunday schools and Young People's Societies, and to this end respectfully calls the attention of the members of Synod to the display of publications found helpful in these lines of work which they have installed in the vestry of the church. We rejoice in the success of the publications of our own Church and in the steps taken towards their further improvement.

Our motto should be, "Lutheran literature for Lutheran schools and societies," and our aim to make and keep these equal to the best in use in all our churches.

We would suggest that every pastor keep clearly in mind the aim expressed by the committee last year—every baptized member of the Lutheran Church in some department of the Sunday school.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. BALL,
C. H. B. LEWIS,
H. A. WOLFE,
R. W. LIVERS.

The report of the Committe on President's Report was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on President's Report.

Your Committee on the President's Report offers the following, viz.: The document placed in our hands is a report of the official acts of our President

during the Synodical year. The report shows fidelity to the important trust reposed in him, and is a faithful exhibition of the splendid prosperity of our churches.

The thanks of Synod are due to our worthy President for the faithful performance of his executive duties as set forth in his message at the opening of this convention. Most of the items demanding the consideration of this body have been placed in the hands of other committees.

We recommend:

First. That the official acts of the President be endorsed, and that the thanks of Synod be tendered him for his faithfulness.

Second. That the organ and other furnishings of the Steinauer Church be donated to the Benson mission.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. HAMMOND,
J. F. SEIBERT,
M. L. MELICK.

The report of the Committee on State of the Church was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on State of the Church.

Your committee has read the report presented by the pastors of the churches connected with this Synod, and find much for which we have reason to be thankful to our Father.

First. We note that more attention is being given to the importance of infant baptism by our members. The duty of parents to dedicate their children to the Lord in this holy sacrament is distinctly taught by our Lutheran Church.

Second. We rejoice to observe that our pastors generally are following up infant baptism with catechetical instruction, thereby preparing our children for confirmation and adult membership.

Third. The better our people become acquainted with the duties of membership in the Church the more will they realize the importance of regularly appearing at the table of our blessed Lord, and there feasting upon His broken body and shed blood, thereby growing unto eternal life.

Fourth. The Sabbath schools of our congregations are generally in a prosperous and growing condition, and, as auxiliaries of the churches, are doing a great and good work in developing in the hearts of our scholars an interest in the different departments of church life and work.

Fifth. In our congregations and Sabbath schools the spirit of liberality is growing, as the reports of their contributions to the different objects show. We believe the things already accomplished are but an earnest of still greater things in the future. As we grow in love for the Master in consecration, the more deeply will we realize that we are stewards of God, and what He has entrusted to our care is to be used for the extension of His kingdom.

Sixth. Let us enter upon the new Synodical year by presenting our souls and bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is our reasonable service.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. KUNKELMAN,
J. A. KOSER,
J. W. BALL.

The report of Mr. Swain, agent of the Committee on Traveling Secretary, was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Traveling Secretary.

Your agent of the Committee on the Traveling Secretary would beg to offer the following report for the year ending September 1st, 1907:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand as per last report	$407 71	
Received for rent during the year	280 00	
Total		$687 71

EXPENDITURES.

Paid to J. H. Miller, Treasurer, as per order of the Synod.	$407 71	
Paid city taxes	36 83	
Paid county taxes	12 73	
Paid for repairs on furnace	4 15	
Paid for repairs on chimney and pipe	3 20	
Paid for repairs on plumbing	9 10	
Paid for refurnishing and painting floors, nine rooms and halls	53 65	
Paid for new stone sidewalk in front of house	24 05	
Paid for new wood sidewalk around side of house	13 38	
Paid for painting interior of kitchen	7 50	
Paid for repairing three screen doors	2 50	
Balance on hand	112 91	
Total		$687 71

I also wish to state that the house was not occupied during the months of February and March, 1907.

I have made arrangement to shingle house in October; but it is almost impossible to get any responsible man to do carpenter work on the smaller contracts now, and the prices asked are very high.

The furnace is not very good, but I think it will go through another winter, and will also have to paint the outside of the house next spring. There are also a large number of the property owners on the street who desire to pave the street next year, and, as a large amount of frontage is owned by the family connections of the late Augustus Kauntz, who kindly donated the lot for the house, and as they have all signed for paving, I suggest that you instruct the Traveling Committee to sign for the same.

Respectfully submitted,

M. W. SWAIN.

The Report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Your committee would report that ten thousand envelopes were distributed for the past year, at a cost of $18.40, and we believe were used with good results. We do rejoice at the growing interest manifested in systematic beneficence, and pray that the spirit of beneficence may continue to grow to greater efficiency.

Your committee recommends a continuance of the systematic effort on the part of the pastors, and that Synod make suitable provision to supply envelopes for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. RINGER,
E. H. COMBS.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of Synod in favor of H. E. Peters and J. H. Humpe as Trustees of Tabitha Home for the Nebraska Synod.

Invitation for next place of meeting was made the special order for 2 o'clock.

Considering the Constitution was resumed.

On motion, to meet at 1.30 P. M.

Time was extended thirty minutes.

Constitution was referred back to the Committee.

Adjourned, with prayer.

SIXTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, 1.30 P. M.

Opened with prayer.

The report of the Committee on Excuses was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Excuses.

We, your Committee on Excuses, would submit the following:

Revs. G. W. Fraser, D. Z. Foulk, L. M. Kuhns, S. R. Elson, W. F. Eyster, D. D., W. G. Gettle, W. F. Poot, LL. D., J. F. Kuhlman, S. L. Aughey, D. D., and J. G. Groenmiller, D. D., also Mr. John Harberg and Mr. J. J. Stein have sent us excuses, and asked that they be excused from this meeting of Synod. Your committee recommends that the request of these brethren be granted.

By motion, the following men were excused: F. H. Kimmerling, Robert Stambaugh, John Weimer and F. G. Griffith.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. BADGER,
C. R. LOWE.

The report of the Committee on Leave of Absence was read and approved.

Report of Committee on Leave of Absence.

Your committtee reports that the following brethren have asked to be excused from further attendance at this meeting of Synod: Joseph H. Miller, M. D., Rev. J. A. Koser, Rev. M. L. Melick, Rev. J. W. Ball, Mr. G. A. Crannell and Mr. E. C. Gilliland. We recommend that the request of these brethren be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. WOLFE,
B. F. KISTLER,
W. C. HEIDENREICH.

Hearing of the Committee on the Constitution was continued.

On motion, the Secretary be instructed to purchase two copies of the Ministerial Acts, to be marked property of Synod, and be placed in the Synodical trunk.

On motion, the President be instructed to correspond with Rev. C. Luther McConnell, D. D., Devil's Lake, North Dakota, and that he be asked to connect himself and his congregation with this Synod.

On motion, the President be requested to confer with Rev. S. L. Aughey, D. D., with the view of ascertaining if it is not possible to organize his preaching station into a congregation.

On motion, that Rev. C. J. Ringer be elected fraternal delegate to the German Nebraska Synod.

Moved, that the Constitution be adopted as a whole.

Moved, that the Secretary be instructed to have five hundred copies of the Constitution printed, and furnish each pastor with two copies, and the President with enough for the incoming pastors. Carried.

Time and place of next meeting was the special order at this time.

The invitation from the church at Hardy was accepted.

On motion, the time be September 9th, 1908.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Services was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Sunday Services.

First M. E. Church, 11 A. M., Rev. Dr. Kline; 8 P. M., Rev. L. L. Lipe.

First Presbyterian Church, 11 A.M., Rev. J. E. Hummon; 8 P. M., Rev. Dr. Ludden.

First Congregational Church, 11 A. M., Rev. M. D. Berg; 8 P. M., Rev. R. W. Livers.

Trinity M. E. Church, 11 A. M., Rev. C. J. Ringer; 8 P. M., Rev. L. J. Powell.

German, St. Paul's Church, 11 A. M., Rev. H. Heiner.

Young Men's Christian Association, 3 P. M., Rev. John F. Seibert.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. LOWE,
W. T. KAHSE,
G. W. LIVERS.

The following bills were presented and allowed:

Rev. J. A. Lowe, traveling, telephoning, stamps	$14 21	
Rev. G. W. Livers, express on trunk, postage, trunk hauled.	5 20	
Dr. J. H. Miller, Treasurer	9 50	
Committee on Constitution	2 10	
Historian	1 66	
Rev. C. J. Ringer	2 25	
Traveling Secretary Committee	1 66	
Rev. J. A. Koser	1 60	
Binding Minutes	1 25	
Rev. Luther P. Ludden, D. D., Trustee of Nachusa Orphanage	19 72	
Stationery for officers of Synod	7 80	
Total		$66 95

The report of the Examining Committee was read and adopted.

Report of Examining Committee.

There appeared before your committee the following brethren, candidates for ordination: Charles R. Lowe, Gustav Klatt, and L. F. Gunderman. We have given these brethren the usual examination. We are satisfied with results. We recommend them for ordination.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. KUNKELMAN,
L. GROH,
J. W. BALL,
L. L. LIPE.

Moved, that the officers of Synod be instructed to ordain the three candidates named in the report of the Examining Committee.

Adopted.

A recess was taken for the Preparatory Service, conducted by Rev. C. H. B. Lewis.

The report of the Committee on Apportionment was presented and adopted.

Report of Committee on Apportionment.

	Number of Members.	Dues. General Synod.	Dues. Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Deaconess Board.	National Home.	Tabitha Home.	Midland Library Endowment.	Refunded.	Totals.
Per Member	....	$0 02	$0 09	$0 30	$0 25	$0 20	$0 20	$0 12	$0 07	$0 05	$0 08	$0 05	$0 02	$0 10	.....	.....
Auburn	70	1 40	6 30	21 00	17 50	14 00	14 00	8 40	4 90	3 50	5 60	3 50	1 40	7 00	.....	$89 60
Beatrice	145	2 90	13 05	43 50	36 25	29 00	29 00	17 40	10 15	7 25	11 60	7 25	2 90	14 50	.....	224 75
Benedict, Bethel	29	58	2 61	8 70	7 25	5 80	5 80	3 48	2 03	1 45	2 32	1 45	58	2 90	.....	44 95
Benedict, Zion	73	1 46	6 57	21 90	18 25	14 60	14 60	8 76	5 11	3 65	5 84	3 65	1 46	7 30	.....	113 25
Benson	52	1 04	4 68	15 60	13 00	10 40	10 40	6 24	3 64	2 60	4 16	2 60	1 04	5 20	.....	80 60
Dakota City, Immanuel	33	66	2 97	9 90	8 25	6 60	6 60	3 96	2 31	1 65	2 64	1 65	66	3 30	.....	51 15
Dakota City, Salem	86	1 72	7 74	25 80	21 50	17 20	17 20	10 32	6 02	4 30	6 88	4 30	1 72	8 60	.....	133 30
Davenport, St. Paul's	11	22	99	3 30	2 75	2 20	2 20	1 32	77	55	88	55	22	1 10	$1 10	18 15
Davenport	55	1 10	4 95	16 50	13 75	11 00	11 00	6 60	3 85	2 75	4 40	2 75	1 10	5 50	.....	85 25
Ericson	16	32	1 44	4 80	4 00	3 20	3 20	1 92	1 12	80	1 28	80	32	1 60	.....	24 80
Grand Island	196	3 92	17 64	58 80	49 00	39 20	39 20	23 52	13 72	9 80	15 68	9 80	3 92	19 60	.....	303 80
Hardy	76	1 52	6 84	22 80	19 00	15 20	15 20	9 12	5 32	3 80	6 08	3 80	1 52	7 60	.....	117 80
Hardy, Jewell	22	44	1 98	6 60	5 50	4 40	4 40	2 64	1 54	1 10	1 76	1 10	44	2 20	.....	34 10
Hendley	20	40	1 80	6 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	2 40	1 40	1 00	1 60	1 00	40	2 00	3 00	34 00
Homer	45	90	4 05	13 50	11 25	9 00	9 00	5 40	3 15	2 25	3 60	2 25	90	4 50	.....	69 75
Lewellen	29	58	2 61	8 70	7 25	5 80	5 80	3 48	2 03	1 45	2 32	1 45	58	2 90	.....	44 95
Lincoln	156	3 12	14 04	46 80	39 00	31 20	31 20	18 72	10 92	7 80	12 48	7 80	3 12	15 60	.....	241 80
McCool Junction	52	1 04	4 68	15 60	13 00	10 40	10 40	6 24	3 64	2 60	4 16	2 60	1 04	5 20	6 24	86 84
Nebraska City	102	2 04	9 18	30 60	25 50	20 40	20 40	12 24	7 14	5 10	8 16	5 10	2 04	10 20	.....	158 10
North Platte	170	3 40	15 30	51 00	42 50	34 00	34 00	20 40	11 90	8 50	13 60	8 50	3 40	17 00	.....	217 60
Omaha, Grace	122	2 44	10 98	36 60	30 50	24 40	24 40	14 64	8 54	6 10	9 76	6 10	2 44	12 20	.....	189 10
Omaha, Kountze Memorial	347	6 94	31 23	104 10	86 75	69 40	69 40	41 64	24 29	17 35	27 76	17 35	6 94	34 70	.....	537 85
Omaha, St. Mark's	108	2 16	9 72	32 40	27 00	21 60	21 60	12 96	7 56	5 40	8 64	5 40	2 16	10 80	.....	167 40
Orleans	26	52	2 34	7 80	6 50	5 20	5 20	3 12	1 82	1 30	2 08	1 30	52	2 60	3 60	43 90
Oshkosh	18	36	1 62	5 40	4 50	3 60	3 60	2 16	1 26	90	1 44	90	36	1 80	.....	27 90

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Per Member	....	$0 02	$0 09	$0 30	$0 25	$0 20	$0 20	$0 12	$0 07	$0 05	$0 08	$0 05	$0 02	$0 10	......	....
Pawnee City	26	52	2 34	7 80	6 50	5 20	5 20	3 12	1 82	1 30	2 08	1 30	52	2 60	......	$40 30
Paxton	58	1 16	5 22	17 40	14 50	11 60	11 60	6 96	4 06	2 90	4 64	2 90	1 16	5 80	......	89 90
Ponca	94	1 88	8 46	28 20	23 50	18 80	18 80	16 28	6 58	4 70	7 52	4 70	1 88	9 40	......	145 70
Rising City	56	1 12	5 04	16 80	14 00	11 20	11 20	6 72	3 92	2 80	4 48	2 80	1 12	5 60	......	86 80
Roca	25	50	2 25	7 50	6 25	5 00	5 00	3 00	1 75	1 25	2 00	1 25	50	2 50	......	38 75
Sidney, St. Paul	18	36	1 62	5 40	4 50	3 60	3 60	2 16	1 26	90	1 44	90	36	1 80	$1 20	29 10
Sidney	45	90	4 05	13 50	11 25	9 00	9 00	5 40	3 15	2 25	3 60	2 25	90	4 50	1 00	70 75
South Sioux	34	68	3 06	10 20	8 50	6 80	6 80	4 08	2 38	1 70	2 72	1 70	68	3 40	......	52 70
South Omaha	50	1 00	4 50	15 00	12 50	10 00	10 00	6 00	3 50	2 50	4 00	2 50	1 00	5 00	......	77 50
Stamford	80	1 60	7 20	24 00	20 00	16 00	16 00	9 60	5 60	4 00	6 40	4 00	1 60	8 00	6 84	130 84
Stella	70	1 40	6 30	21 00	17 50	14 00	14 00	8 40	4 90	3 50	5 60	3 50	1 40	7 00	......	108 50
Surprise	30	60	2 70	9 00	7 50	6 00	6 00	3 60	2 10	1 50	2 40	1 50	60	3 00	......	46 50
Sutherland	42	84	3 78	12 60	10 50	8 40	8 40	5 04	2 94	2 10	3 36	2 10	84	4 20	......	65 10
Tekamah, Immanuel	34	68	3 06	10 20	8 50	6 80	6 80	4 08	2 38	1 70	2 72	1 70	68	3 40	......	52 70
Tekamah, Grace	30	60	2 70	9 00	7 50	6 00	6 00	3 60	2 10	1 50	2 40	1 50	60	3 00	3 60	50 10
Waverly	35	70	3 15	10 50	8 75	7 00	7 00	4 20	2 45	1 75	2 80	1 75	70	3 50	......	54 25
Wayne	95	1 90	8 55	28 50	23 75	19 00	19 00	11 40	6 65	4 75	7 60	4 75	1 90	9 50	7 05	154 30
West Point	172	3 44	15 48	51 60	43 00	34 40	34 40	20 64	12 04	8 60	13 76	8 60	3 44	17 20	......	266 60
Wilber	45	90	4 05	13 50	11 25	9 00	9 00	5 40	3 15	2 25	3 60	2 25	90	4 50	......	69 75
Wolbach	60	1 20	5 40	18 00	15 00	12 00	12 00	7 20	4 20	3 00	4 80	3 00	1 20	6 00	7 20	100 20
York	30	60	2 70	9 00	7 50	6 00	6 00	3 60	2 10	1 50	2 40	1 50	60	3 00	3 70	50 20
Yutan	14	28	1 26	4 20	3 50	2 80	2 80	1 68	98	70	1 12	70	28	1 40	......	21 70
Totals	3202	64 04	288 18	960 60	800 50	640 40	640 40	384 24	224 14	160 10	256 16	160 10	64 04	320 20	*44 93	4973 10

* Carried over or refunded from last year's deficit, $44.93; making a total of $5,018.03.

Respectfully submitted, JOSEPH H. MILLER, M. L. KUNKELMAN, GEORGE A. CRANNELL.

The report of the Calendar Committee was read and adopted. (See page 2.)

On motion, the thanks of Synod were extended the Committee on Revising the Constitution for their faithfulness in performing their duty, in furnishing printed copies to each member of Synod.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure the representatives of the Boards of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Church Extension, Education, Deaconess Work, Tabitha Home, Nachusa Orphanage, and Midland College, and that we pledge our continued support to all these worthy institutions of our Church.

Resolved, That we note the continued appropriations to the Nebraska work made by the Boards of Home Missions and Church Extension, and that we express our appreciation for their aid.

Resolved, That we commend the work of the Committee on Young People's Societies and Sunday Schools, and that this exhibit be continued at our annual Synodical meetings.

Resolved, That 900 copies of the Minutes be printed for distribution, and that the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society be given the privilege of printing their Minutes with the Synodical Minutes, and that thirty copies be placed at the disposal of that society for their special use.

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of Synod be extended to Rev. W. T. Kahse and congregation for their cordial entertainment, and to the choir for their excellent music, and that the President express the same at the Sabbath evening service.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. OBERHOLTZER,
E. H. COMBS,
M. D. BERG.

The fraternal delegate to the German Nebraska Synod reported.

Report of Delegate to the German Nebraska Synod.

Your delegate to present fraternal greetings to the German Nebraska Synod begs leave to report that he was present at their meeting of Synod to present greetings to that body, and received a most cordial welcome by them.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T. KAHSE.

Moved, that at the close of the services Sunday night this session of Synod be declared adjourned, to meet in Hardy, Neb., September 9th, 1908. Carried.

Adjourned, with prayer.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

10 A. M.

Sunday school was addressed by Rev. M. D. Berg, Rev. R. W. Livers and Rev. W. S. Oberholtzer.

The communion sermon was preached by Rev. L. J. Powell.

The Luther League was addressed by Rev. J. F. Seibert, Rev. J. E. Hummon, and Miss Ellen B. Schuff.

The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. L. Groh, D. D.

Immediately after the ordination sermon the officers of Synod, assisted by other brethren, set apart, in accordance with the usages and practices of General Synod Evangelical Church, by the rite of ordination, Charles R. Lowe, W. F. Gunderman and Gustav Klatt.

G. W. LIVERS,
Secretary.

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Berg, M. D.	Ponca	Zion	1	1	3	1	....	2	5	5	5	2	1	....	1	94	116	147	$10000 00	$200 00	$1344 56	.....				
Badger, Roy M.	Hardy	Union	1	..	2	1	....	....	4	..	6	....	....	2	..	76	88	99	10000 00	.....	813 86	$6106 24				
		Jewell	1	..	..	..	....	....	1	....	2	....	....	2	2	22	28	30	2000 00	.....	209 45	.....				
Combs, Elmer H.	Homer	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	15	....	1	1	4	1	3	....	....	45	54	76	2700 00	293 00	396 53	.....				
	South Sioux City	Grace	1	..	1	..	12	....	....	5	....	....	2	2	..	34	62	76	2000 00	.....	310 51	.....				
Gunderman, L. F.	Sidney	Trinity	1	..	2	..	....	....	3	1	3	....	....	4	3	45	73	118	4200 00	.....	478 23	215 00				
		St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	18	22	41	.....	.....	.....	.....				
Groh, L.	Omaha	St. Mark's	1	..	2	..	15	....	4	7	12	1	11	20	..	108	128	180	14000 00	2500 00	1325 00	7000 00				
Hummon, John E.	Omaha	Kountze Memorial	1	1	2	..	36	6	49	48	17	7	31	6	2	347	480	669	150000 00	4800 00	4320 18	850 43				
Heidenreich, W. C.	Oshkosh	St. Mark's	1	1	..	..	4	....	....	1	4	2	3	1	..	18	20	30	.....	.....	210 00	.....				
	Lewellen	Grace	1	..	..	..	11	....	....	....	7	....	10	....	....	29	29	40	.....	.....	220 00	.....				
Hummond, J. L.	Waverly	Trinity	1	..	1	..	3	1	1	7	1	....	....	....	....	35	....	51	2600 00	.....	430 11	.....				
	Yutan	Zion	1	..	1	..	....	1	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	14	....	....	2500 00	.....	283 47	92 50				
Kunkelman, M. L.	Auburn	St. Paul's	1	..	..	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	4	....	70	86	106	6000 00	.....	500 00	30 00				
Klatt, Gustav	Stamford	Trinity	1	1	..	..	8	....	....	....	5	....	3	....	....	80	110	192	2500 00	.....	1500 00	.....				
	Hendley	Christ	..	1	..	..	....	....	....	....	3	....	1	....	....	20	35	55	.....	.....	90 00	.....				
	Orleans	St. Paul's	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	26	26	32	.....	.....	150 00	.....				
Kahse, William Theodore	Grand Island	St. Paul's	1	..	1	1	26	....	16	12	28	6	17	3	12	196	206	395	11000 00	1000 00	1283 00	3500 00				
Koser, J. A.	Nebraska City	First	1	..	2	..	15	3	3	....	5	3	....	2	....	102	130	164	3000 00	.....	1000 00	50 00				
Lowe, J. A.	Beatrice	Trinity	1	..	2	..	13	....	....	9	....	5	9	....	....	145	165	192	8000 00	.....	1230 73	.....				
Livers, G. W.	Benedict	Bethel	1	..	..	..	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	2	....	29	32	....	1800 00	.....	286 88	.....				
		Zion	1	..	..	..	....	1	4	4	9	....	....	....	....	73	82	....	3500 00	.....	492 28	.....				

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1	1	20	110	$85 57	$31 60	38	$16 50	$10 00	$2 06	$10 20	$38 76	$35 50	$20 40	$12 36	$7 14	$103 98	$7 41	$5 66	$7 88	$5 30	$5 35	$10 20	$272 20	$1616 76
2	1	16	189	267 78	13 72	51	30 95	.....	1 56	7 80	21 84	19 75	15 60	9 70	5 46	.....	5 80	3 90	5 85	3 90	33 85	15 60	150 61	707 71
3	1	10	104	39 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	38	1 90	6 02	4 75	3 80	2 50	1 33	.....	1 45	95	1 45	1 00	26 10	3 80	55 43	264 88
4	1	7	46	17 33	23 73	.....	.....	.....	86	4 30	13 96	10 75	8 63	7 01	3 01	9 75	3 01	2 15	3 01	2 15	28 00	19 30	115 89	512 42
5	1	8	30	21 32	6 03	10	.....	.....	70	3 50	9 80	5 10	4 01	4 20	2 45	.....	2 45	2 30	2 45	2 45	.....	13 95	53 36	363 87
6	1	14	117	68 35	6 53	42	9 00	5 00	1 08	4 40	15 12	10 51	6 40	5 21	2 00	.....	3 78	2 00	1 00	1 00	.....	4 00	56 50	749 73
7	1	4	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44	1 00	4 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	94	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 38	10 38
8	1	21	160	150 00	145 00	33	175 00	20 00	1 68	8 40	23 52	21 00	16 80	10 08	5 88	.....	5 88	4 20	5 88	4 20	.....	40 80	148 32	8475 32
9	1	25	230	265 00	177 00	65	69 00	75 00	8 08	40 40	113 12	101 00	80 80	48 48	28 28	93 00	28 28	20 20	28 28	20 20	.....	321 80	931 92	6102 53
10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	1 50	4 25	3 75	3 05	1 80	1 05	.....	1 10	95	1 10	95	.....	1 50	21 10	231 10
11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38	2 00	5 40	4 75	3 80	2 28	1 40	.....	1 33	1 00	1 33	95	1 00	2 00	27 42	247 42
12	1	.....	25	20 00	13 00	12	6 00	.....	88	4 40	12 32	11 00	8 80	5 28	3 08	.....	3 08	2 20	3 08	2 20	4 40	4 40	65 12	495 12
13	1	13	30	68 40	4 60	.....	.....	.....	38	1 90	5 32	4 75	3 80	2 28	1 33	56 85	1 33	95	1 33	95	1 90	1 90	84 97	375 97
14	1	10	65	25 00	12 00	40	.....	.....	1 40	7 00	19 60	17 50	14 00	8 40	4 90	.....	4 90	3 50	4 90	3 50	.....	14 00	103 60	633 60
15	1	3	25	8 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	1 50	1 50	2 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	25 00	.....	35 00	1535 00
16	1	2	12	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90 00
17	1	1	15	4 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	160 00
18	1	22	240	140 43	32 00	24	60 00	.....	3 75	18 60	52 08	59 60	37 20	22 32	13 02	7 10	13 02	12 60	13 02	9 30	6 00	18 60	285 61	5038 61
19	1	17	115	80 00	28 00	16	5 00	.....	2 02	10 10	28 28	25 25	20 20	12 12	9 05	.....	7 07	5 05	7 07	5 05	.....	35 98	167 24	1217 24
20	1	19	122	112 04	29 70	.....	31 34	8 76	2 82	14 10	39 48	35 25	28 20	16 92	9 87	57 21	9 87	7 05	9 87	7 05	.....	14 10	251 79	1482 52
21	1	10	61	37 50	5 69	.....	.....	.....	58	2 90	8 12	7 25	5 80	3 48	2 03	.....	3 03	3 45	3 03	2 25	2 00	6 67	50 59	337 47
22	1	16	127	27 88	9 85	.....	.....	.....	1 68	8 40	23 52	21 00	16 80	10 08	.....	2 25	5 88	3 23	5 88	4 20	3 50	11 55	117 97	610 25

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Lowe, C. R.	Rising City	First	1	1	..	..	6	..	2	..	2	..	2	..	..	56	68	80	$6000 00	.....	$438 25	.....				
		Surprise	1	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30	53	59	2500 00	.....	150 00	.....				
Livers, Ralph Wallace	South Omaha	First	1	..	1	..	18	..	..	12	18	4	16	2	11	50	69	134	.....	.....	579 57	$45 00				
Lipe, Luther L.	West Point	Grace	1	..	2	..	27	1	3	16	14	2	17	..	4	172	198	250	8500 00	$1900 00	1585 00	.....				
Melick, M. S.	Omaha	Grace	1	..	2	..	32	1	12	12	5	1	18	2	6	122	151	174	12000 00	3500 00	1350 30	147 70				
Oberholtzer, W. S.	Dakota City	Emmanuel	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	33	51	74	1850 00	.....	317 51	.....				
		Salem	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	86	86	133	4620 00	.....	674 81	.....				
Powell, L. J.	Paxton	Holy Trinity	1	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	3	..	9	..	1	58	64	102	.....	.....	302 50	277 25				
	Sutherland	Grace	1	1	..	..	4	..	2	2	2	..	4	1	3	42	46	86	2500 00	340 00	322 00	447 00				
Poot, W. F.	Tekamah	Immanuel	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	30	34	37	2250 00	.....	200 00	.....				
		Grace	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	3	..	2	2	..	34	39	47	3500 00	.....	600 00	200 00				
Ringer, C. J.	Wayne	St. Paul's	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	7	11	..	6	1	1	95	124	171	7000 00	.....	567 60	135 00				
Rohde, H. L., Supply	Stella	Trinity	1	1	1	..	..	..	6	..	2	1	..	..	..	70	90	93	4000 00	.....	392 00	.....				
Seibert, John F.	North Platte	First	1	..	2	..	12	..	3	7	16	10	6	..	5	170	236	340	13500 00	3000 00	1525 65	478 50				
White, R. A.	York	First	1	..	1	..	5	1	3	7	..	..	..	5	1	30	40	48	1100 00	500 00	266 15	.....				
Wolfe, H. A.	Davenport	Christ's	1	1	1	..	4	..	..	23	..	..	1	2	2	55	96	120	3500 00	.....	375 00	250 00				
	Carlisle	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	13	17	.....	.....	.....	.....				
Lewis, Charles H. B.	Lincoln	Grace	1	1	2	..	..	..	23	..	6	..	11	1	156	256	306	15000 00	3000 00	847 79	.....				
Kistler, B. F.	Benson	First	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	3	7	10	32	52	52	57	.....	.....	90 00	.....				
Vacant	Pawnee City	First	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	16	..	..	..	..	..	26	39	56	2500 00	.....	271 06	.....				
Vacant	Wilber	First	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	45	57	89	3500 00	.....	.....	150 00				
Vacant	McCool Junction	First	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	52	78	105	4000 00	.....	.....	.....				
Vacant	Wolbach	Trinity	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	60	60	80	4000 00	150 00	.....	.....				

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1	17	75	$60 00	.....	30	$48 85	$5 00	$1 58	$7 90	$22 12	$19 75	$15 80	$9 50	$5 53	$65 35	$5 53	$3 95	$5 53	$3 95	.....	$14 00	$180 49	$618 74
1	5	22	15 00	$10 00	10	.....	5 00	1 60	5 00	14 28	12 50	12 05	6 00	3 50	.....	3 50	2 50	3 50	2 50	.....	10 00	76 33	286 33
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Hardy, Neb.

MINUTES of the Twenty-Seventh
ANNUAL CONVENTION of the

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF

NEBRASKA.

The Twenty-seventh Annual Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Synod of Nebraska, opened Tuesday afternoon, September 10th, 1907, in St. Paul's Church, Grand Island, Neb.

Owing to the trains being late, few delegates were present. A short Praise Service was held, Mrs. J. F. Seibert, North Platte, read the eighth Psalm, after which the credentials were received.

Roll formed as follows:

Officers.

President—Mrs. J. A. Lowe.
Vice-President—Miss Matie Martin.
Secretary—Miss Maude Martin.
Corresponding Secretary—Miss Lydia A. Bender.
Treasurer—Miss Elizabeth Haase.
Historian—Mrs. M. A. Mostert.
Chairman of Literature Committee—Mrs. L. P. Ludden.

Delegates.

Beatrice—Mrs. J. A. Lowe, Mrs. M. A. Mostert.
Dakota—Emmanuel—Miss Elizabeth Haase.

Davenport—Miss Sarah J. Grossman.
Grand Island—Mrs. I. N. Augustine, Miss Lederman.
Hardy—Mrs. Badger.
Lincoln—Mrs. L. P. Ludden.
North Platte—Mrs. Fred Frederickson, Mrs. J. F. Seibert.
Ponca—Mrs. Henry Scheffel.
Roca—Miss Matie Martin.
Rising City—Mrs. Charles R. Lowe.
Surprise—Miss Nellie M. Miller.
West Point—Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Catherine Person.
York—Mrs. R. A. White.
Yutan—Miss Lydia A. Bender.

Visitors' Roll.

Mrs. Helen C. Beegle, Field Secretary of General Society; Miss Ellen B. Schuff, returned missionary from India; Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., Lincoln; Rev. J. F. Seibert, North Platte; Rev. Charles B. Lewis, Lincoln; Rev. Charles R. Lowe; Rising City; Rev. R. A. White, York; Mrs. Hoffman, North Platte; Mrs. Elizabeth Martin, Hickman; Mrs. Yost, North Platte; Mrs. Louie Gunderman, Sidney; Mrs. Charles B. Lewis, Lincoln; Mrs. Irving Augustine, Mrs. John Paulsen, Mrs. W. T. Detweiler, Mrs. M. Nelson, Mrs. F. W. Heins, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Hanson, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Strathman, Mrs. Hershey, Mrs. A. F. Buechler, Misses Olive Augustine, Lily Hershey, Helen Lipe, Margaret Heins, Alice Mader, Lizzie Mader, Alma Bernstine, Emily Menck, Grand Island.

Song and sentence prayers. Benediction by Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., Lincoln.

SECOND SESSION.

TUESDAY EVENING.

Solo, Mrs. Reese, Grand Island.

Invocation by President.

Words of welcome were spoken by Mrs. I. N. Augustine, to which Mrs. Charles R. Lowe responded.

Solo, Rev. W. T. Kahse, Grand Island.

The President's address contained much encouragement.

President's Report.

TO THE WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF NEBRASKA.

GREETING: Dear friends and colaborers of this special department of church work, God in His great mercy has seen fit to spare our lives the past year, and permit us again to meet in convention, where we may offer unto Him the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. We rejoice that the gospel of truth is preached in all lands; that He has so graciously smiled upon the work of the women of our beloved Lutheran Church.

This fact, if none other, should cause us to double our diligence in the great cause of missionary work at home and abroad.

Too much praise cannot be given our leaders of the General Society for their faithfulness, zeal, and constancy with which they led this great army for the conversion of the world.

And we would not for one moment forget the Boards of our beloved Lutheran Church. They are, as it were, the stimulus backing our movements, encouraging our actions, and in every way giving us impetus and purpose, and to any of their representatives we should listen gladly. Right here, let mention, none of our leaders, be they men or women, are accumulating a fortune. Their labor is of love and benevolence—almost all without pecuniary reward.

We read in the word, "Cast thy bread upon the waters and after many days it shall return to you." It has returned already to our Synod, South Omaha the example—two thousand dollars, a gift to this mission from the parent society.

It would seem to us that no church receiving money, having received money, or hoping to receive money from any of the Church organizations, should close her heart and doors to any representative sent to them. We are thankful to our heavenly Father for the privilege to share in sending out the light of gospel truth to benighted parts of the earth.

We pray for divine guidance during this convention that all be done to His glory, knowing that to whom much is given of them shall much be required.

A joyous greeting is extended to those whose faces are familiar at these fall gatherings, who have given years of happy service in the missionary cause, and to you new societies who have but recently joined our ranks, and to pastor and people of this Church whose royal hospitality we are now enjoying.

The fall of the year is truly a season of ingathering. Fruits and grains are ripened and ready to be garnered for winter's use. Laborers can compute upon gains and losses of the year's toil. So the fall convention is in session for the purpose of bringing together the results of the year and plan for the future work for the State.

We count this a time for rejoicing. Everyone with an earnest heart in her missionary life closes the year with evidences of labor.

The number of talents we have does not insure us reward, but the use made of the talents receives the blessed words, "Well done."

Dear, timid, private Christian soldiers, it is the faithful that receive the Father's blessing.

Many a tired mother, while singing a sweet lullaby to her dear ones God has given her, is planning for the best use of her God-given talents.

Conclusions are reached, missionary lessons studied, a mite added to the little box on the shelf.

The local work of the Church receives much thought and purpose of heart. Her life companion returning, perhaps sore discouraged and disheartened, is influenced by the atmosphere of *home*. Both hearts are made to burn by the live coal from off the altar of God.

Can we say that that sister is less blessed than another who has large means and much time at her disposal for the work of the Church of Christ? No, many times, no. God looks upon the purposes of the heart. The heart is made light by a conscience approved of God.

Dear, timid, Christian soldiers, take courage, return to your local societies happy of heart that you are counted worthy to share in this great service of winning souls for the kingdom of God.

Our anticipations for the last two years have been realized. The presence of our General Field Secretary has given much inspiration to our missionary women of Nebraska. All the good that has been done cannot be seen, but seed has been sown that will yield rich harvests for the glory of Him whom we serve.

To the auxiliary societies here, and also to those at home, I would bespeak a word in behalf of my successor. When she writes you concerning the State work, have consideration and answer her letters at once. Do not wait several weeks to tell her you cannot be of service, or not answer at all, keeping her waiting for information she should have immediately, in order to do her work in the manner in which it should be done.

WORK OF THE YEAR.

A new auxiliary society was organized early in the year at Grand Island, consisting of consecrated workers.

During the month of August Davenport and Surprise organized. We welcome them to our ranks.

September 1st, 1907, Rising City organized a Mission Band. Welcome.

York organized a Mission Band January, 1907.

Soon after our last convention Mrs. J. P. Anshutz resigned the leadership of the Young People. Miss Charlotte Kunkelman was appointed to act as leader until convention time.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

Much effort has been made to secure the full amount of our pledge. As yet only $667.90 has been gathered. What plan can be adopted to complete this work?

SUGGESTIONS.

I would suggest that auxiliary societies take up the study of the Minutes of the General Society, from which they can learn much about the mission work of our own Church, can see what becomes of the money you contribute toward this cause. Also, if possible, subscribe for the *Woman's Work*, that is to take the place of the *Missionary Journal*. From it, if carefully read, you gain much needed information.

Missionary meetings are not burdensome and uninteresting when the working of this great army is reasonably understood.

As we return to our homes let us consecrate our lives anew to the service of Christ and to the Church.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. J. A. LOWE.

Hymn, "Oh, could I speak the matchless worth!"

Address, Mrs. Helen C. Beegle, Field Secretary of the General Board, was greatly enjoyed.

Offering, $3.38.

Song.

Benediction by pastor.

THIRD SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 9 A. M.

Devotional service, led by Mrs. Roy Badger.

Prayer, by Rev. Lowe.

Roll-call. Fourteen responding. Minutes read and approved.

Announcement of committees:

Committee on President's Report—Miss Sarah Grossman, Mrs. Henry Scheffel.

Auditing Committee—Mrs. R. A. White, Mrs. J. C. Elliott.

Corresponding Secretary's Report—Mrs. Fred Fredrickson, Mrs. Roy Badger.

Standing Committees' Reports—Mrs. C. R. Lowe, Miss Bertha Lederman.

Department Secretary's Reports—Mrs. C. A. Dill, Miss Nellie M. Miller.

Resolutions—Mrs. J. F. Seibert, Mrs. M. A. Mostert, Miss Lydia Bender.

Letters and Papers—Miss Matie Martin, Mrs. C. Person.

Reporter to City Papers—Miss Elizabeth S. Haase.

Reporter to Evangelist—Miss Matie Martin.

Reporter to Lutheran World—Mrs. L. P. Ludden.

Reporter to Missionary Journal—Mrs. M. A. Mostert.

Reports of Officers and Standing Committees accepted, and referred to committees.

Report of Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee has held two meetings since last convention. The first was held in Kountze Memorial Church, Omaha, immediately after the convention, Mrs. J. A. Lowe, Miss Matie Martin, Miss Maude Martin, Miss Lydia A. Bender, Miss Elizabeth S. Haase, and Mrs. M. A. Mostert being present.

It was decided that Mrs. Lowe order necessary stationery; also that the President and Secretary attend to the publishing of Minutes.

All bills presented were allowed.

Motion passed that enough be taken from collections received during convention to replace the amount used from the Silver Anniversary Fund. Mrs. Witmer kindly donated her railroad fare, $9.00, to the Endowment Fund.

The second meeting was held in Beatrice, Mrs. J. A. Lowe, Miss Lydia A. Bender, Miss Elizabeth S. Haase, and Mrs M. A. Mostert being present. The President reported having sent circular letters to all societies; also having written unorganized congregations regarding the Endowment Fund. Instructed the Recording Secretary to write to societies concerning the entertainment of Mrs. Helen C. Beegle while making a tour of the State.

The Corresponding Secretary reported all quarterly reports received promptly. Circular letters were sent in January to congregations without organized societies for help in Endowment Fund, but little interest was manifest.

The Treasurer reported $553.04 on hand for Endowment Fund; $39.30, Silver Anniversary Fund; 92 cents, Synodical Fee. All stationery bills are unpaid.

The Historian reported having gathered material to send to Philadelphia to the General Convention for exhibition.

The committee then arranged the program for the convention as you now have it.

Respectfully submitted,

MAUDE MARTIN,
Recording Secretary.

Accepted.

Historian's Report.

We have come to the time when we look back over the distance traversed and recount the results accomplished.

Some results are seen, some hidden, and only God knows how true we have been to our trusts.

We are able to come before you with good tidings concerning the ingathering for the past year. Thus, by our increasing effort, we may build us a history which shall endure in the annals of our Church.

There have been added since the report of last year:

Minutes of the General Society, which met in Philadelphia, Pa., May 7th to 10th, 1907.

Minutes of the Synodical Society, which met in Omaha in September, 1906.

Lutheran Missionary Journals, 1907; all tracts published during year; books, "Christus Redemptor," and "Among the Telugoos."

The report of the Board of Foreign Missions, given at Sunbury, Pa., May, 1907.

Annual Report of Guntur Mission, 1906.

The Sixth Biennial Report of the Deaconess Board, given at Sunbury, Pa., 1907.

Mission Studies, 1907.

Photos—Mrs. G. H. Schnur, historian, 1892-1895; Mrs. C. W. Baker, president Synodical Society, 1892.

Pictures—White Church, where the first Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society was organized; Rev. J. R. Bloom, who offered the resolution to organize a Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society in our Synod, and the church where it was offered, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa; pictures of United Study Course, "Christus Redemptor."

Mrs. C. E. Aughey, of Spokane, Wash., was the only life member received.

It is well to remember of the 263,821 communicant members in General Synod, 30,000 are members of some missionary organization, and 211 belong to Nebraska.

The work of many of our societies is to be commended. They are loyal to all the plans of the Synodical Society, and so thoroughly understand the workings of the General Society and its Executive Committee that we are very proud of such a good working force upon our Nebraska territory, and we should be glad if our newer and weaker societies would learn as much by correspondence and personal contact with those older in the work, and wisely watch and catch inspiration of communion and association with hearts so loyal.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. A. MOSTERT,
Historian.

Accepted and referred to committee.

Report of Corresponding Secretary, 1906-1907.

SYNODICAL SOCIETIES. WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.	Quarters Reported.	Organized.	PRESIDENTS.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.	MEMBERS. Active.	Honorary.	Cradle Roll.	Life.	Home Department.	Total.	TIME OF MEETINGS.	Number of Meetings.	Journals.	Children's Missionary.
1. Beatrice	1, 2, 3, 4	1892	Mrs. E. P. Mumford	Mrs. M. A. Mostert	28	..	10	..	2	28	1st Thursday	12	18	....
2. Dakota City, Emmanuel	1, 2, 3, 4	1891	Mrs. George Niebuler	Mrs. J. N. Hamilton	13	3	..	3	2	16	1st Thursday	13	14	20
3. Dakota City, Salem	1, 2, 3,	1901	Mrs. George Hurshback	Mrs. William Armour	20	1	..	..	..	21	1st Friday	9	20	....
4. Grand Island	2,	4	1906	Mrs. W. T. Kahse	Mrs. W. T. Kahse	9	..	..	..	..	9	3d Tuesday	....	7	....
5. Homer	1,	4	1905	Mrs. F. A. Sawyers	Mrs. E. H. Combs	10	1	..	..	3	11	3d Thursday	10	7	....
6. Lincoln	1, 2, 3, 4	1890	Mrs. W. I. Stohl	Mrs. L. P. Ludden	13	4	..	..	..	17	1st Wednesday	8	10	....
7. North Platte	1, 2, 3, 4	1904	Mrs. John F. Seibert	Mrs. F. Frederickson	13	..	..	..	..	13	Last Friday	10	14	....
8. Omaha	1, 2,	1886	Mrs. H. J. Penfold	Mrs. Paul Springer	28	2	..	..	..	29	3d Wednesday	....	....	....
9. Ponca	1, 2, 3, 4	1880	Mrs. E. J. Berry	Mrs. W. W. Mikesell	35	1	..	..	..	36	1st Friday	15	25	....
10. Roca	1, 3, 4	1894	Miss Mattie Martin	Miss Viola Martin	4	1	..	..	..	5	2d Sunday	1	2	....
11. Rising City	1, 2, 3, 4	1904	Mrs. L. J. Saylor	Mrs. D. Loudenslager	10	1	..	..	..	11	1st Wednesday	11	11	....
12. Stella	1, 2,	1884	Mrs. S. A. Montgomery	Mrs. Kittie Wilsey	7	..	..	..	..	7	1st Thursday	....	4	....
13. Tekamah	1, 2, 4	1881	Mrs. W. F. Poot	Mrs. Estella Wood	9	..	..	..	1	9	1st Saturday	9	9	....
14. West Point	1, 2, 3, 4	1904	Mrs. Flora S. Lipe	Mrs. A. B. C. Heller	10	..	..	..	..	10	1st Wednesday	....	7	....
15. Wolbach	1, 2, 3,	1905	Mrs. Carrie Mathiesen		9	1	..	..	..	10	1st Thursday	....	4	....
16. Yutan	1, 3, 4	1883	Miss Lydia A. Bender	Miss L. A. Bender	3	2	..	..	..	5	1st Thursday	9	2	25
17. York	2,	1906	Mrs. R. A. White	Mrs. John Foster	3	..	..	..	..	3	....	....	6	....
18. Davenport	....	1907	....	Miss S. J. Groesman	7	..	..	..	..	7	1st Thursday	1	1	....
19. Surprise	....	1907	Miss Nellie M. Miller	Miss Olivia Woods	9	..	..	..	..	9	....	....	....	....
20. McCool	....	1907	Mrs. Dora Smith	Mrs. Marshall	9	..	..	..	..	9	....	....	....	....
Totals	....	....	....	....	229	17	10	3	8	246	....	....	162	45
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY.														
Beatrice	2, 3,	....	Ida Albright	H. W. Bartling	30	..	..	..	..	30	....	....	....	....
MISSION BANDS.														
1. Dakota City	1, 2, 3, 4	1904	Miss Minnie Gray	Earle Jay	9	..	..	..	..	9	Alternate Sundays	24	....	....
2. Yutan	2, 3, 4	1903	....	Miss Bernice Peters	10	..	..	..	..	10	2d Sunday	9	....	....
3. Auburn	....	1907	Miss C. Kunkelman	....	24	..	..	..	..	24	....	....	....	....
4. Rising City	....	1907	Mrs. Charles Lowe	....	18	..	..	..	..	18	....	....	....	....
5. York	....	1907	Mrs. R. A. White	....	6	..	..	..	..	6	....	....	....	....
Totals	....	....	....	....	67	..	..	..	..	67	....	....	....	....
Grand Totals	....	....	....	....	326	..	..	..	..	343	....	....	162	45

Respectfully submitted,

LYDIA A. BENDER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Accepted and referred to committee.

Report of Committee on Corresponding Secretary's Report.

Your Committee on Corresponding Secretary's Report begs leave to submit the following:

We have examined her report and find the same to be correct.

We would recommend to the society that delegates urge upon their auxiliary societies the importance of filling out more completely the blanks for each quarter.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. FRED. FREDERICKSON,
MRS. ROY BADGER.

Adopted.

Report of Literature Committee.

The work of another Synodical year has closed, and your Committee on Literature presents again a review of the year's work.

The regular routine of work month by month has been attended to, and we trust that good has come therefrom as the printed pages have thus gone forth on their mission in the different societies. Some of the societies have not been quite as prompt in remitting as in former years. This is a work that should receive careful attention in order that this department of work may remain self-supporting. During this year the General Literature Committee made an earnest effort for a missionary exhibit for the General Convention. Your committee responded promptly to the appeal thus sent out, and after much correspondence and considerable delay, we were able to gather only the photographs of all the Synodical Presidents except the first and the present incumbent. A map of the State was prepared, showing the location of every congregation, and special designation of the congregations having organized Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies. Pictures were also asked showing missionary churches, but the committee were able only to secure a picture of the old Lutheran church at Ponca, where our society was organized in 1880. While not as large an exhibit as we ought to have had, yet it was the best the committee could do in the time allotted us. The map and the pictures have been returned to us, and your committee has brought them to this convention. We recommend that they be turned over to the Historian, and that the work of collecting of the photographs be continued from year to year.

Once more we urge upon all our societies the following of the United Course of Studies, as outlined month by month, and generous use of the tracts and literature sent out by our General Literature Committee.

We had planned for a well-equipped literature table, but, through illness in the home of those in charge of this work at Baltimore, we have not been able to secure the supply. We are ready to serve our societies by taking orders for such things as will be helpful to the societies in their work this coming year.

The financial exhibit for the year is as follows:

Accepted and referred to committee. Respectfully submitted, LYDIA A. BENDER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand last report	$2 72
Sales at Omaha Convention	5 43
Dakota City, tracts	50
Homer, tracts	50
Lincoln, tracts	50
Rising City, tracts	50
York, tracts	50
Stella, tracts	50
Beatrice, tracts	50
Yutan, tracts	50
Roca, tracts	50
North Platte, tracts	50
Omaha, Kountze Memorial, tracts	50
Mission Studies	2 00
Books	50
	$16 15

DISBURSEMENTS.

Postage and money order fees	$3 08
Mission Studies	2 00
Literature and books	8 42
Balance on hand	2 65
	$16 15

All bills are paid except for the last quarter's tracts, the bill for which has not yet been presented.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. LUTHER P. LUDDEN.

Report of Committee on President's Report.

We, your Committee on the President's Report, submit the following:

The recognition of divine blessings during the past year, and rejoicing over the extension of Christianity the world throughout, were a fitting introduction to the convention's proceedings.

Approval of the wise administration of the affairs of our General Society, and appreciation of the commendation of our Church boards, are appropriately presented.

The faithful endeavors of the past year are commended, and a hearty welcome is extended the representatives of auxiliaries organized during the past year—Woman's Societies at Grand Island, McCool Junction, Davenport, and Surprise, and Children's Bands at York, Auburn, and Rising City.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In approval of the suggestions of the report, we recommend: (1) A careful reading of the Minutes of the Philadelphia Convention; (2) large subscription lists for *Lutheran Woman's Work*, our forthcoming magazine; (3) further plan for our Bed Endowment Fund; (4) reconsecration of our lives to Christ and the Church.

Respectfully submitted, SARAH J. GROSSMAN,
MRS. H. SCHEFFEL.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Letters and Papers.

Your Committee on Letters and Papers submits the following:

We appreciate the most excellent report of our delegate to the General Convention. The report is thorough, and we believe that her pledge of $5.00 for the autograph number of the *Lutheran Woman's Work* for the Historian will meet with the approbation of the convention.

We recognize the importance of the work presented by Ella B. Hanzsche, chairman of the Foreign Box-work Committee, in regard to the packing of a Christmas box for Africa.

Also, the proposition of Rev. Ball in regard to the furnishing of a room in the hospital at Lincoln, but we suggest that until our fund for endowment of a bed in India is complete no other object be considered. But we *recommend* that Rev. Ball be given an opportunity to present the work.

We would recognize the receipt of a letter from Miss Clara V. Sadtler, Secretary of the Home Department, and would emphasize her suggestion that a secretary be appointed to forward the work.

The paper of Mrs. Mumford, "The Effect of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society on Church Benevolence," is most efficient, and we would call attention to the assertion of the fact: The Church makes us benevolent, the missionary cause makes us *more* benevolent.

Respectfully submitted, MATIE MARTIN,
Mrs. CATHARINE PERSON.

Adopted.

Report of Secretary of Children's Mission Band Department.

Your Secretary of the Children's Mission Band Department would report as follows: Seven bands in the State. Twenty-one letters written to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies where there are no Mission Bands. Encouragement from one. Bands at York, Auburn, and Rising City organized since last convention. Three replies to letters sent.

Respectfully submitted, SUDA WOOD.

Accepted.

Solo, Mrs. C. A. Dill, North Platte.

Motion passed that Mrs. Beegle be recognized in her official capacity and given the privileges of the floor, also other visitors be recognized.

Dr. Ludden presented greetings of the Board of Home Missions, and, as usual, spoke words of encouragement to the women, made an earnest plea for box-work where greatly needed.

"The Quiet Hour," led by Miss Matie Martin, was spiritually refreshing.

Benediction, Dr. L. P. Ludden.

FOURTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 2 P. M.

Session held in German Lutheran Church.

Song and Scripture reading, Matt. ix., Miss Sarah Grossman.

Prayer, Mrs. Helen C. Beegle.

Reports of delegates were interesting, especially those from new societies.

Duet, Mrs. Dill and Mrs. Hoffman, North Platte.

Report of Delegate to General Convention made glad the hearts of all present as they realized of what a wonderful organization they are a part, and what a great work is being done. Miss Bender is deserving a word of appreciation for the very excellent report.

Miss Ellen B. Schuff, returned missionary from India, addressed the convention, and, though she spoke but a short time, made very plain to us the plan of the hospital work. We realized more fully than ever before the need of more consecrated workers.

Offering, $1.90.

Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., Rev. Roy Badger, Rev. J. F. Seibert and Rev. R. A. White being the only members of clergy present, voiced their appreciation of the women's work.

Song, "Stand up, stand up," etc.

Prayer, Rev. Roy Badger, Hardy.

Benediction, Rev. J. F. Seibert, North Platte.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

After Synodical sermon by the President of Synod, Miss Ellen B. Schuff, returned missionary from India, told very clearly of the school work in India.

FIFTH SESSION.

THURSDAY, 9 A. M.

Devotional meeting, Mrs. Elliott.

Roll-call and minutes approved.

Reports of committees.

Report of Committee on Department Secretaries' Reports.

We, your Committee on Reports of Department Secretaries' Reports, submit the following;

The Secretary of Thank-offering Department has been very active and efficient in her duties. She reports the largest Thank-offering in the history of the Synodical Society, although five auxiliaries failed to make such offering.

In report of Children's Mission Band Department Secretary, we note that she has performed her duties faithfully, but has not received the encouragement she should have from the auxiliaries.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS C. A. DILL,
NELLIE M. MILLER.

Adopted.

Treasurer's Report.

I bring you again the best report ever given by a Treasurer of your Society:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand at beginning of Synodical year		$306 61
Receipts from societies (see Exhibit)		800 00
		$1106 61

DISBURSEMENTS.

To General Treasurer		$343 34	
From Synodical Fee Fund:			
To Mrs. J. A. Lowe, railroad fare and postage	$6 81		
To Miss L. A. Bender, railroad fare	1 68		
To Miss Maude Martin, railroad fare and postage	4 30		
To Mrs. M. A. Mostert, railroad fare	1 82		
To Mr. Paul Springer, programs	3 50		
To Mrs. Witmer, railroad expenses	9 00		
To Miss Haase, railroad fare and postage	7 70		
To Miss Haase, postal receipts	2 20		
		$37 01	
			$380 35
Cash on hand			$726 26

Silver Anniversary Fund.

September 10th, 1906, cash on hand	$29 27	
Receipts	10 32	
September 10th, cash on hand		$39 59

Synodical Fee Fund.

September 10th, 1906, cash on hand	$17 59		
Receipts	29 59		
		$47 18	
Disbursements		37 01	
			10 17
Delegate to General Convention Fund			9 10

Endowment Bed Fund.

September 10th, 1906, cash on hand	$259 75	
Receipts	407 65	
		$667 40
Present amount on hand		$726 26

Respectfully submitted, ELIZABETH S. HAASE,
Synodical Treasurer.

Treasurer's Supplemental Report of Moneys Received since Making Regular Report.

For Endowment of Bed:

Davenport	$1 00	
Hardy	1 00	
Beatrice	50	
		$2 50

For General Fund:

Hardy	$2 00	
Pawnee City	2 15	
Auburn Mission Band	1 00	
		5 15
		$7 65

Treasurer's Exhibit of Receipts of the Nebraska W. H. and F. M. Society for Year Ending August 31, 1907.

Woman's Societies.	General Fund.	Synodical Fee.	Thank-Offering.	Silver Anniversary Fund.	Christmas Offering.	Memorial Fund.	Delegate to General Convention.	Girls' School in India.	E. V. Day School in Africa.	Clarksburg Church.	South Omaha.	Never-Spend-a-Penny Band.	Endowment of Nebraska Bed in India Hospital.	Totals.
Beatrice	$6 50	$1 40	$10 00	.....	.....	.....	$1 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$32 20	$51 90
Benedict	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 25	3 25
Dakota, Emmanuel	16 40	2 50	12 00	.....	$1 30	.....	2 00	.....	.....	$1 00	$0 75	$0 50	38 50	74 95
Dakota, Salem	12 00	2 20	12 36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 50	46 06
Davenport	2 00	40	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	3 90
Grand Island	5 50	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	10 50
Homer	2 00	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 00
Lincoln	9 50	1 60	10 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 00	43 45
North Platte	9 75	4 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 27	36 22
Omaha, Kountze Memorial	22 00	2 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49 70	94 70
Ponca	38 05	3 00	8 93	.....	2 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00	114 48
Rising City	15 00	1 00	15 00	.....	1 35	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 00	65 35
Roca	7 20	50	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 50	13 20
Stella	1 50	1 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	50	$2 00	$1 00	1 00	.....	.....	1 00	18 00
Surprise	3 08	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 08
Tekamah	7 50	50	11 02	.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 75	41 12
West Point	13 10	1 00	.....	.....	.....	$0 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 65
Wolbach	4 90	3 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 00	15 15
York	3 65	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 00	26 95
Yutan	5 30	90	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 50	27 70
Young People's Societies.														
Beatrice	1 73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	3 73
Roca	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 80	1 80

Treasurer's Exhibit of Receipts of the Nebraska W. H. and F. M. Society for Year Ending August 31, 1907.—*Concluded.*

Mission Bands.	General Fund.	Synodical Fee.	Thank-Offering.	Silver Anniversary Fund.	Christmas Offering.	Memorial Fund.	Delegate to General Convention.	Girls' School in India.	E. V. Day School in Africa.	Clarksburg Church.	South Omaha.	Never-Spend-a-Penny Band.	Endowment of Nebraska Bed in India Hospital.	Totals.
Dakota, Emmanuel	$3 07	.....	$0 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$0 73	$4 15
Burt County, Grace	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	1 05
York	85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 85
Yutan	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Congregations and Persons.														
South Sioux City	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40
Stamford	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Mrs. S. S. Riegle	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00
Mrs. W. W. Witmer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00	9 00
Rev. L. J. Powell	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00
"A Friend"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	3 00
Mrs. Henry Sprick	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00
Mrs. E. A. Niebaum	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Mrs. August Hartong	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Collections at Omaha Convention	.....	$1 14	.....	$8 73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 87
Interest on funds in hand	.....	.....	.....	1 59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 75	6 34
Revs. Ludden and Berg, and Mrs. Mostert	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	3 00
Totals	$202 03	$29 59	$129 51	$10 32	$5 00	$0 55	$9 10	$2 00	$1 00	$2 00	$0 75	$0 50	$407 65	$800 00

Report of Auditing Committee.

We your committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's Report, beg leave to submit the following:

We have carefully examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer and find them all correct.

We take pleasure in commending the accuracy and neatness with which our Treasurer, Miss Elizabeth S. Haase, has kept her accounts.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. R. A. WHITE,
MRS. J. C. ELLIOTT.

Adopted.

"The Necessity of Mission Bands," Mrs. R. A. White.

Interesting and helpful discussion followed.

Mrs. Helen C. Beegle urged the need of such a work as the Woman's Magazine.

Rev. Ball presented the work of the hospital in Lincoln.

Election of Officers.

President—Mrs. J. A. Lowe.
Vice-President—Miss Matie Martin.
Recording Secretary—Miss Maude Martin.
Corresponding Secretary—Miss Lydia A. Bender.
Treasurer—Miss Elizabeth S. Haase.
Organizer—Miss Matie Martin.

Motion prevailed that convention be held at time and place of Synod, invitations having been received from Hardy and Auburn for Synod and woman's convention also.

Song, "From Greenland's icy mountains."

Prayer, Mrs. Helen C. Beegle.

Benediction, Rev. R. A. White, York.

SIXTH SESSION.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Scripture reading, Mrs. Roy Badger, Hardy.

Prayer, Mrs. J. A. Lowe.

Treasurer's Exhibit of Receipts of the Nebraska W. H. and F. M. Society for Year Ending August 31, 1907.—*Concluded.*

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Yutan	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
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Mrs. S. S. Riegle	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00
Mrs. W. W. Witmer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00	9 00
Rev. L. J. Powell	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00
"A Friend"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	3 00
Mrs. Henry Sprick	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00
Mrs. E. A. Niebaum	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Mrs. August Hartong	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
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Interest on funds in hand	.....	.....	.....	1 59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 75	6 34
Revs. Ludden and Berg, and Mrs. Mostert	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	3 00
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Report of Committee on Standing Committee's Report.

We your committee on Standing Committee's Report begs leave to submit the following to submit the following:

We believe our Executive Committee is doing a good work. It reports [illegible] and find their all correct.

We take pleasure in Our Committee report was [illegible] Treasurer, Miss Elizabeth S. Haase, has kept her accounts.

The Historical Secretary recommends the work of [illegible] results are good. It is requested that all Presidents [illegible] to Adopted. photographs for Historian's Collection.

Box-work Committee reports no work to amount to [illegible] being [illegible] of Interesting and helpful discussion followed.

Mrs. Helen C. Beagle [illegible] Woman's Magazine.

Rev. Hill [illegible]

President, Miss [illegible]

Vice-President, [illegible]

Recording Secretary, [illegible]

Corresponding Secretary, [illegible]

Treasurer, Miss Elizabeth [illegible]

Organizer, Miss Martin [illegible]

Motion prevailed that [illegible] Synod, invitations having been [illegible] for Synod and women's convention also.

Song, "From Greenland's icy mountains."

Prayer, Mrs. Helen C. Beagle.

Benediction, Rev. R. A. White, York.

MAUDE C. MARTIN,
Recording Secretary.

SIXTH SESSION.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Scripture reading, Mrs. Roy Badger, Hardy.
Prayer, Mrs. J. A. Lowe.

Roll-call and reading of minutes approved.

Reports of committees.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Your Committee on Resolutions offers the following:

WHEREAS, Our heavenly Father has permitted us to again assemble in convention,

Resolved, That we are grateful for the impetus which our work of the coming year will have received from this convention.

WHEREAS, Our kind Parent has, in His all-wise providence, seen fit to call from her earthly home to her home on high the mother of our sisters, the Vice-President and Recording Secretary,

Resolved, That we extend our loving sympathy to these our sisters.

Resolved, That we are deeply indebted to Mrs. Helen C. Beegle, Field Secretary of our women's work, and to Miss Ellen B. Schuff, returned missionary from India, for their most excellent addresses.

Resolved, That our thanks are due Dr. L. P. Ludden for his helpful suggestions, and the various pastors for their encouraging words.

Resolved, That we commend the action of the convention in adopting the item in Report of Committee on Letters and Papers in reference to the five dollars' subscription to *Woman's Work* magazine by our delegates to General Convention for the Historian's collection.

Resolved, That the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Nebraska Synod memorialize the General Society to adopt the same method of paying the traveling expenses of the duly accredited delegate from the several Synodical societies that the General Synod uses, viz., to pay the same from its own treasury and from a special fund to be inaugurated.

Resolved, That the good women of the church and their friends deserve our gratitude for their thoughtfulness in providing for our wants in such a way as to promote sociability and to cause a homelike feeling among us, and also the friends who assisted in rendering special music.

Resolved, That we do appreciate the hospitality of our German Lutheran friends in permitting us to use their church during the time we could not use our own, and that only distance prevented our continuance of the sessions there.

Resolved, That we extend our sympathy to our host, Rev. Kahse, who has been deprived of his wife's helpfulness during our sessions, that her absence is much regretted, and that we are very grateful for the use of her home in her absence.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. F. SEIBERT,
MRS. M. A. MOSTERT,
LYDIA A. BENDER.

Adopted item by item.

Report of Committee on Standing Committee's Report.

Your Committee on Standing Committee's Report begs leave to submit the following:

The Executive Committee is doing a good work. It reports $553.04 raised for Endowment Fund.

The Literature Committee report was fine, it was quite full, and surpasses all others in finance.

The Historian's Report commends the work of many of the societies, its results are good. It is requested that all Presidents comply with the request to furnish photographs for Historian's Collection.

Box-work Committee reports no work to amount to anything, West Point being the only society making up boxes. They have sent two to India; the one valuing about $3.50.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. R. LOWE,
BERTHA LEDERMAN.

Accepted.

Paper, "Effect of Missionary Society on Church Benevolence," by Mrs. E. P. Mumford, read by Miss Matie Martin.

Round-table, led by Mrs. Beegle, all delegates participating.

Solo, Mrs. C. A. Dill, North Platte.

Letter from Mrs. Kahse, read by Miss Bertha Lederman.

Motion passed that $5.00 pledged by Synodical Delegate at the General Convention for autograph number of magazine, *Woman's Work*, be raised at once, which was done.

Bills presented and allowed.

Reading and approval of minutes.

Consecration service, Miss Schuff.

The President then declared the Twenty-seventh Annual Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Synod of Nebraska adjourned.

MAUDE C. MARTIN,
Recording Secretary.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

I give and bequeath to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States, its successors and assigns, the sum of dollars, and request my executor or administrator to pay to said corporation said amount at the settlement of my estate.

I hereby give and devise to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States, its successors and assigns, the following described real estate:

, to have and to hold the same with appurtenances thereto.

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